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GENERAL REMARKS.

I HAVE much pleasure in presenting you with my EIGHTEENTH CATALOGUE OF TREES, and avail myself of the opportunity to thank my Customers for the support accorded me during the last seventeen seasons, and shall do my best to merit a continuance of their favour and recommendation.

I continue to import New Varieties in Fruits, such as should be of superior merit, from the most reliable sources, and every possible care is taken to have same correct; but mistakes will sometimes happen, and, although I take no responsibility *re* new varieties, I wish that any of my Customers would inform me of any error in this respect. If possible such trees will be replaced, as I do not wish my Customers to be the losers. Many varieties I am unable to fruit on account of the climate here being rather cold, and I have to depend on others in a more suitable climate to try them. I would take it as a great favour if any of my Customers would furnish me with a report on any new variety that they may have fruited, as this would greatly help me in recommending or discarding same, as the case may be.

My Nurseries are situated at Emerald. Railway Siding and Office are at New Nurseries, half-a-mile from Emerald Railway Station, on the Ferntree Gully and Gembrook line. The Nurseries are now 200 acres in extent, and contain over two and a half million trees in various stages. The soil is particularly suitable for producing nice fibrous-rooted trees, thus ensuring a safer removal to other places.

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C. A. NOBELIUS.

GEMBROOK NURSERIES,
EMERALD, *1st March, 1909.*

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CATALOGUE

ALMONDS.

Price—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100; £30 per 1000.

Brandes Jordan—A well-known variety of strong growth, very tender shell.

Burbank's Seedling—A variety from Luther Burbank; tree extremely hardy, and a great bearer; recommended as one of the best for this climate, and flowers much later than other sorts.

Early Jordan—An early variety of the "Paper Shell."

Golden State—Originated in California; described as a great and regular bearer; large, with a full, smooth-skinned kernel, and a soft shell.

Grosse Tendre—A new almond, very large, thin-shelled, good grower and heavy bearer.

Hatch's Nonpareil—A very fine almond, large kernel, and very thin shell. The shell of this almond is the thinnest we know of, thus losing very little weight after being shelled.

Hawthorn Seedling—Medium size; good bearer, strong grower.

I.X.L.—A very good variety from California; large nuts, perfect shell.

Lewelling—Also a Californian seedling; tree a thrifty grower and enormous bearer.

Ne Plus Ultra—Tree a rapid grower, leaves rather large, extremely prolific, producing its nuts in bunches all over the twigs; nuts large and long; fine flavour.

Nonpareil—A heavy and regular bearer, with very thin shell.

Paper Shell—Very good, easily broken between the fingers.

Peerless—This almond was raised by Mr. H. Wicks, Riverside Nursery, Payneham, S.A. It is without any doubt the prettiest dessert almond, being very smooth and well shaped, large and of fine flavour; shell easily broken between the fingers.

ALMONDS (CONTINUED).

Sultana—Medium size, fruit well flavoured, shell tender.

White Nonpareil—Raised and distributed by Mr. Charles Pitt. The tree is a strong grower, of spreading habit; nuts very large, with white shell; a far heavier bearer than "Brandes Jordan."

APPLES (GENERAL COLLECTION).

All on Blight-proof Stocks, and Perfectly Clean.

Price—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100; £30 per 1000.

Adams' Pearmain—First-class dessert, one of the best; late.

Adams' Pearmain (Tasmania), "Golden Reinette"—This apple is known as Adams' Pearmain in Tasmania, and is much esteemed as a mid-season dessert apple; medium.

Akerö—A Swedish apple of high quality, medium size, handsome salmon colour; early.

Albury Park Nonsuch—A large heavy apple of first-rate quality as a culinary apple, and a good keeper. The tree is vigorous, and an enormous cropper. Award of Merit from the Royal Horticultural Society, England.

Alfriston—A large cooking apple, and splendid keeper; late.

Allington Pippin—A most valuable dessert fruit, closely related to "Cox's Orange Pippin," but distinct in colour, quality, and growth. The fruit is medium-sized, roundish, even, regular and smooth in outline; skin clear lemon on shaded side, but flushed with red on the sunny side, flaked with broken bars of crimson; flesh greenish white, very juicy, crisp yet melting, sweet, with a delicate "Cox's" flavour; growth sturdy, and a splendid bearer.

Allsopp's Beauty—A late apple of great beauty; deep crimson colour, covered with bluish bloom; it is a good dessert and cooking variety; strong grower and blight-proof; with us a shy bearer.

American Golden Russet—Medium size, rich flavour; medium.

Anna Elizabeth—An excellent culinary apple for winter use; late.

Baldwin—Very hardy, late bearer, first-class dessert; late.

Ballarat Seedling—A first-class culinary apple, large, green and yellow, with red cheek; late.

Barry—Fruit large, somewhat conical; flesh firm, crisp, juicy, and of best quality; skin yellow, marbled with carmine; tree hardy and productive; a very late keeper.

APPLES (Continued).

Baumann's Red Winter Reinette—Exceedingly handsome; late.

Beauty of Bath—A valuable addition to our extra early dessert apples. Fruit medium size, round, a little flattened; skin yellowish green, beautifully striped and spotted with crimson in the sun, flesh slightly yellowish, with a brisk, rich spicy flavour; a superior early apple, good bearer.

Belle de Pontoise—A large apple of French origin; very brilliant in colour, of excellent flavour when cooked; late.

Ben Davis—Excellent market variety, dessert; late.

Bielo Borodawka—Fruit clear yellow and pale rose, red striated on the sunny side, very large and prolific, supposed to be an improvement on "Emperor Alexander"; medium.

Black Ben Davis—Seedling from "Ben Davis," introduced from United States, America. It is a decided improvement, more beautiful, solid red colour, better quality, better keeper, surer cropper, and should need no further recommendation; late.

Blenheim Orange—A large culinary and dessert apple; late.

Blondin—Handsome and a good keeper; late.

Boston Russet—One of the best of the Russet class, fine flavour; late.

Bowmont Beauty—Medium size, cooking and dessert, good grower, heavy bearer; medium to late.

Bramley's Seedling—Fruit large and handsome, a very valuable cooking apple; late.

Browning's Beauty—This apple we received from Mr. L. M. Shoebridge, of Glenora, Tasmania. It is a most beautiful and distinct apple, being coloured in quarters, as if it were painted in various shades, one quarter being green and another pink or yellow; it is a first-class show apple, quality only fair; late.

Brownlee's Russet—An excellent late apple, suitable either for cooking or dessert.

Buncombe—A beautiful dessert apple of good quality; late.

Calville Blanche d'Hiver—A valuable cooking and dessert apple; very late.

Cardinal (*syn.* "Peter the Great")—An apple from the Crimea, bears abundantly and makes a pretty fruitful pyramid. Flesh sprightly, sweet and transparent; colour of the fruit yellow, flecked with red; early.

Carlton—Raised by Mr. J. F. Smith, from "Northern Spy." Tree blight-proof; a strong, thrifty grower and most prolific bearer; fruit very large, yellow-striped and suffused with carmine; flesh crisp, juicy, and of delicious flavour.

Carolina Red June—Fruit below medium size, highly coloured; dessert; early.

APPLES (Continued).

Cellini—Dessert and cooking, a good bearer; medium.

Champion—A late-keeping apple of highest excellence; the skin is of a deep yellow, suffused with scarlet and deep crimson stripes; a regular and abundant bearer.

Chandler—A large dessert and cooking apple; late.

Charles Ross—A seedling of Cox's Orange Pippin crossed with Peasgood's Nonsuch; fruit of the shape of Cox's Orange Pippin, but twice as large; flesh fine, delicious, highly coloured.

Chicago—Fruit small, oblong, rich, warm yellow ground with a vermilion cheek, crisp, sprightly, sub-acid. Experts pronounce Chicago the best long-keeping winter apple known. Quality equal to Jonathan; late.

Claygate Pearmain—Greenish yellow, nearly covered with brownish red, rich aromatic, a good bearer; late.

Cleopatra—A splendid apple in some districts; late.

Cliff's Seedling—Fruit large, "Pearmain" shaped, and most highly coloured, with a beautiful bright gloss all over. Flesh yellow, crisp, juicy, and of exquisite flavour; a late keeper and invaluable market variety; tree remarkable for its upright and vigorous growth, perfectly blight-proof; late.

Climax—Another perfectly blight-proof apple, raised by Mr. J. F. Smith. Fruit is above medium size and roundish, skin clear waxy yellow, streaked and dotted on the sunny side with lively crimson; flesh yellow, crisp, juicy, tender, and of honeyed sweetness. Season of ripening between "Irish Peach" and "Gravenstein," thus forming a valuable succession.

Coldstream Guard—A first-class early summer dessert apple, size medium to large, smooth, round, of bright colour, and very taking appearance, cannot be too highly recommended for market; tree healthy, hardy, and heavy cropper.

Commerce—A new American apple of great beauty, with two shades of red, and a heavy blue bloom; of large size, nearly round, very solid and perfect in every way; it is a great bearer, and does not blow off the tree; quality is first-rate, and it will keep till November; late.

Cooper's Market—A good keeping dessert apple, very productive; late.

Cornish Aromatic—Medium size, rich red with yellow russet dots, with a rich, aromatic flavour, dessert; late.

Cornish Gilliflower—Large, remarkable for its rich and aromatic flavour, dessert; late.

Coronation—A new apple, above medium size, skin pale yellow, striped and spotted with red, flesh firm, of a very nice flavour; late.

APPLES (Continued).

Cox's Orange Pippin—Grand dessert, flavour excellent; late.

Crisp's Russet—A seedling raised by Mr. Crisp, of Parua Bay; large, conical, and regularly formed; flesh yellowish white, crisp, firm, and very juicy; a late-keeping apple of first quality.

Crofton Pearmain—A medium-sized, highly coloured apple, of good keeping quality; a favourite in some districts in Tasmania.

Crow's Egg—Constant bearer, good colour; late.

D'Arcy's Spice—One of the most popular and useful of all late sorts. Being such a good and almost indispensable dessert variety of good flavour and firm flesh, should be much sought after when well known.

Delicious—A most beautiful and delicious apple from Iowa. Tree a strong grower, hardy and most prolific bearer, fine colour, like "Jonathan," and most exquisite flavour. One of the best late keeping apples.

Devonshire Quarrenden—A highly-coloured apple; early.

Dougherty—Medium size, almost covered with bright red, a very fine dessert apple, good bearer; late.

Dr. Hogg—A large culinary apple, strong grower and early bearer; late.

Draper's Best—A highly-coloured and fine flavoured dessert apple, good keeper.

Duchess of Oldenburg—Very handsome, good market variety; early.

Duke of Clarence—Similar to Winter Strawberry.

Dumelow's Seedling—A first-rate culinary apple, much used for jelly-making; late.

Dunn's Seedling—(*syn.* "Munroe's Favourite.")

Early Margaret—The earliest of all, but will not keep.

Early Melon—An early apple of oblong shape, good bearer, useful for small gardens.

Early Richmond—Medium size, good flavour, and a prolific bearer; blight-proof; early.

Early Rivers—Tree robust and prolific, fruit of excellent flavour, ripening a week earlier than "Lord Suffield"; early.

Edward VII.—A cross from Blenheim Orange and Golden Noble; skin yellow marbled brown, dark red on the sunny side, flavour of Blenheim Orange; one of the very best late kitchen and table apples; very prolific.

Eliza Rathke—A decorative as well as productive variety; fruit medium size, yellow, vinous, and a good keeper.

Emperor Alexander—An excellent large culinary apple, and a good market variety; early.

APPLES (Continued).

Emperor Alexander White—A Russian apple, extremely hardy and enormously productive, being heavily laden with evenly-sized handsome fruits; it has a light yellow skin, streaked red; most useful for small gardens.

England's Glory ("Gascoigne Scarlet")—A very handsome, red-cheeked apple from Kent, free grower and a great bearer; a first-class dessert apple.

Esopus Spitzenberg—A most beautiful apple, richly flavoured; late.

Fall Beauty—Large, beautiful, waxy yellow, an excellent culinary apple; blight-proof.

Fearn's Pippin—A splendid apple for all purposes; late.

Five Crown Pippin—(See "London Pippin.")

Forth's Gippslander—A handsome large variety, and can be used either for cooking or dessert.

Foster—This beautiful apple was raised by Mr. W. N. Foster, of Neerim South. It is of a most beautiful colour, and of very fine flavour. Coming into use in February, it will fill up a gap in the market between the very early apples and "Jonathan," when good dessert apples are scarce. We feel sure it will sell before any other apple at that season, and will keep, if necessary, to middle of April. So far, the parent trees have not been affected with the woolly aphis; it is a free grower and heavy bearer. This will, no doubt, become one of our very best early export apples.

Framboise d'Holovous (Holovous' Raspberry Apple)—One of the best Bohemian varieties. Fruit yellow, with a crimson cheek, flesh white, striped with red; melting, juicy, with a strong flavour of Raspberries. Tree vigorous and prolific; late.

French Crab—A popular market sort, keeps long; late.

Garibaldi (Adelaide)—Medium size, skin yellow on shaded side, bright crimson on side next the sun; flesh pale yellowish white; juicy, sweet, and richly flavoured; in season from May to September.

General Carrington—Raised by Mr. J. F. Smith, from "Northern Spy" pips. Tree of strong, vigorous, upright habit and perfectly blight-proof. Fruit large and handsome; skin yellow, beautifully striped crimson; flesh yellowish white, rich, crisp, juicy, and sugary, of delicious flavour, much like the "Ribston Pippin." An exceedingly prolific bearer. A valuable late-keeping dessert apple of the highest excellence.

Gloria Mundi (Allenbank Seedling)—A very large cooking apple; medium.

Glowing Coal—A large, very highly coloured apple.

APPLES (Continued).

Golden Ball—A fine, large, golden-coloured apple; medium.

Golden Harvey—Small size, a very richly-flavoured dessert apple; late.

Golden Reinette—This is the best of all the export apples, being very pretty, keeps well, of first-class flavour, and a heavy bearer; being subject to the woolly aphis, the tree requires to be kept clean; medium.

Golden Russet—An excellent dessert apple; late.

Golden Spire—This is one of the finest early cooking apples, in use from middle of December to March; an early and regular bearer.

Gooseberry—One of the latest cooking varieties; late.

Grand Sultan (*syn.* "Yellow Transparent")—An early Russian apple of considerable merit; an abundant bearer; fruit brisk, sugary, and refreshing; flesh transparent; common in the Baltic provinces of Russia. A capital boy's apple.

Granny Smith—Large and juicy, of a greenish yellow colour; well known and much esteemed in New South Wales; late.

Gravenstein—A splendid apple, good flavour and colour; early.

Gravenstein Rouge—Fruit medium, conical, yellow and red. Flesh rich and juicy; a great bearer; early.

Hambling's Seedling—Large, pale, flushed with rose. The flavour is very good, being suitable for dessert, cooking, or making jelly. Raised by Major W. J. Hambling, of Dunstable, England, and is believed to be a seedling from "Peasgood's Nonsuch."

Hall Door—A highly-coloured apple of medium size and good flavour, well known in Tasmania; late.

Hay's Midseason—Fruits of large, even size and most handsome appearance, beautifully striped bright carmine on a greenish yellow ground; flesh firm, yellow, crisp, juicy, sweet, and of exquisite flavour; tree extremely hardy, a regular and heavy bearer, and absolutely blight-proof; resembles the "Northern Spy" in its habit of growth; a valuable addition to the list of blight-proof apples.

Herefordshire Beefing—Small, but very heavy for its size; a fine culinary apple; late.

Hoary Morning—Handsome and good; early.

Hoover—A beautifully-coloured apple, keeps well; late.

Irish Peach—Good bearer, and does not blight; early.

Ivanhoe—A valuable, late-keeping apple. Fruit medium to large size; colour, when ripe, light golden yellow; excellent quality, crisp.

APPLES (Continued).

John Sharp—A seedling from "Pomme de Neige," and is perhaps the best of Mr. H. E. Sharp's seedlings; perfectly blight-proof, enormously productive, large size, most handsome appearance; good in shape and colour, and keeps over a long season. The hardiest and best apple of its season.

John Toon—A nice dessert apple; medium.

Jonathan—A most beautiful fruit for all purposes; medium.

Jubilee—A very pretty, large, midseason apple; highly coloured, flesh white, of good flavour. This variety is very free from spot, and a good bearer; medium.

Jupp's Surprise—A very early apple, keeps and carries well.

Kentish Fillbasket—An excellent culinary variety; medium.

Kentucky Redstreak—A good apple, but liable to spot; late.

Keswick Codlin—A valuable early culinary apple.

King of the Pippins—Very handsome, fine flavour, dessert; late.

King of Tomkins County—A large and handsome apple, dessert and cooking; late.

Kirk's Admirable—A good cooking apple; medium.

Kooroochiang—A colonial seedling raised by Mr. R. Whatmore, of Smeaton; it is a strong grower, said to be a good bearer and a good keeper. This apple is fruiting with us this season, and is really a first-class variety.

Lady Carrington—Beautiful bright red, very prolific, and said to be blight-proof; early.

Lady Henniker—Fine, large, and regular bearer, cooking and dessert; medium.

Lady Hopetoun—This first-class dessert apple was raised by Mr. M. E. Schroeder, of Castlemaine. In appearance it very much resembles "Jonathan"; the raiser says the tree is perfectly blight-proof, that the fruit hangs well until the end of April, and should be valuable as an export apple.

Lane's Prince Albert—Richly flavoured, great bearer; late.

Langley Pippin—A cross between Cox's Orange Pippin and Mr. Gladstone. Fruit of medium size, roundish, skin pale yellow, coloured on the sunny side; flesh whitish, tender, with a pleasant sub-acid flavour; tree prolific; early.

Lang's Best—Fruit medium size, covered all over with dark crimson; flesh white, juicy, and briskly flavoured; a very handsome apple, and keeps well; in use from April to October.

Lawrence—A fine apple, similar in growth and fruit, excepting colour, to "Reinette du Canada"; late.

APPLES (Continued).

Liveland Raspberry—Earliest of all choice eating apples, quality very best, good grower and productive, similar to Duchess d'Oldenburg, but hardier, and in every way a better tree and fruit; blight-proof.

London Pippin—One of the very best apples for all purposes; late.

Lord Grosvenor—Large, early, and very productive.

Lord Nelson—A large culinary apple; medium.

Lord Suffield—A splendid cooking apple, heavy bearer; early.

Lord Wolseley—Heavy bearer, good cooking and dessert; late.

Loy—A variety from California, where it is held in the highest esteem; it is one of the largest and showiest of apples in cultivation, rivalling that well-known variety, "Gloria Mundi"; ripens in April, and keeps for a long time; the tree is a strong, thrifty grower, and keeps remarkably free from woolly aphis; the large fruits hang on well, and are difficult to shake off; the flesh is pale yellow, exceedingly rich, firm, and juicy, and of a most agreeable flavour; a valuable late-keeping dessert and culinary apple of the highest excellence.

Magg's Seedling—A showy apple, blight-proof; late.

Maiden's Blush—A beautiful culinary apple; medium.

Marjorie Hay—Raised by H. E. Sharp; a very early blight-proof seedling, raised from "Irish Peach," large size, conical in shape; skin clear yellow, striped and mottled with lively red, brighter on the sunny side; flesh white, tender and crisp, with a rich, agreeable juicy and aromatic flavour; an early dessert apple of the finest quality.

McIndoe's Russet—The fruit is large and rather flattened, with prominent ribs, of a brown russet colour and of excellent flavour. The tree is of moderate growth, and an excellent bearer.

McIntosh Red—Fruit medium or above, roundish, oblate, regular; skin whitish yellow, very nearly covered with dark rich red or crimson, of excellent quality for Home and market use, regular bearer and good keeper; late.

McMahon's White—Fruit large, well shaped, with white flesh, fine grained, and of excellent quality. The trees bear young, and are vigorous, healthy and productive, said to be a first-class market variety, and blight-proof; medium.

Mellon's Seedling—Medium size, good colour, flavour excellent; late.

Mobb's Royal—A first-class cooking and drying apple, strong grower and heavy bearer; medium.

APPLES (Continued).

Mona Hay—Raised by H. E. Sharp; a blight-proof seedling from "Irish Peach"; tree is very vigorous, and perfectly blight-proof; a regular and most profuse bearer, fruit is of above medium size, oblate, flattened in shape; skin smooth, yellow, beautifully striped with crimson and covered with crimson where exposed to the sun; in season February and March; flesh white, tender, crisp, sugary and juicy, with a delicious flavour.

Morgan's Seedling—A very heavy bearer, small fruit, keeps well, good flavour; late.

Mother—A beautiful and fine-flavoured dessert apple; late.

Mr. Gladstone—Handsome and good, but will not keep; early.

Munroe's Favourite—One of the best for all purposes; late.

Newman's Seedling—A very large apple, beautifully striped, and good bearer; late.

Newton Wonder—Large, well coloured, perfect form, splendid cooking quality; tree vigorous and very productive; one of the best late apples.

Newtown Pippin—Medium size, yellow, fine flavour; a first-class apple where it does well; late.

Nickajack—Large and handsome, cooking or dessert; late.

Norfolk Beefing—A large culinary apple, excellent for drying; late.

Northern Spy—A splendid dessert apple; late.

Ohinemuri—(*syn.* "Munroe's Favourite.")

Oregon Mammoth Black Twig—Vigorous grower, and very hardy; fruit very large, many specimens measuring 12 inches in circumference; colour dark red; flesh firm, long keeper.

Paragon—The tree bears very young, and is productive. Fruit large, roundish, somewhat flattened, dark red; flesh firm, yellow, crisp, aromatic, sub-acid, and juicy; it is a very late keeper and of excellent quality.

Peasgood's Nonsuch—A magnificent apple of enormous size; medium.

Perfection (Shepherd's)—A very handsome dessert variety; late.

Pioneer—A beautiful medium-sized, well-coloured apple, good keeper, and a good market variety; late.

Pomme de Neige—Flesh white, a fine market apple; medium.

Prince Alfred—A very large apple, first-class either as a dessert or cooking, will keep for eight months; medium.

Prince Bismarck—A splendid large and well-coloured apple, one of the best market sorts; medium.

Prince Edward—Bright yellow, red next the sun; flavour brisk; flesh tender and melting; late; Award of Merit, R.H.S., England.

APPLES (Continued).

Prince of the Pippins—A beautiful dessert apple, and very heavy bearer; medium.

Prizetaker—Medium size, good quality, well coloured, and a first-class keeping apple; regular bearer, and should be a good market apple.

Proctor's Seedling—Fruits, Permain-shaped, are above medium size, and of most handsome appearance, flushed red and striped carmine; flesh tender, crisp, sugary, and juicy, of a delicious flavour; tree hardy and most productive; late.

Rambourg de Winnitza—Very large, said to weigh up to 2lbs., skin yellow, sometimes striped with crimson; flesh firm, juicy, vinous; very late variety; tree of pyramidal growth.

Red Astrachan—A very early, highly-coloured, soft-fleshed apple; early.

Red Majestic—This is another apple from Mr. L. M. Shoobridge, Glenora, Tasmania. It is very like "Munroe's Favourite," but of a much better colour; fully half of the fruit is of a beautiful red and pink; it is of first-class quality, and when known will no doubt be planted extensively.

Reine Louis d'Danemark—A valuable late-keeping, medium-sized dessert apple of the highest excellence; flesh white, firm, crisp, and juicy; skin light yellow, flushed dark red on sunny side.

Reinette du Canada—A large, popular apple, combining many good qualities; late.

Rhode Island Greening—Large, colour green; of first-rate quality for all culinary purposes, and excellent also for dessert. A most valuable export apple; late.

Ribston Pippin—A well-known dessert variety; medium.

Rokewood (Bullock's Seedling)—A highly-coloured colonial-raised apple, and probably the best keeping variety of all; late.

Rome Beauty—A beautiful late apple and heavy bearer, one of the best.

Royal Late Cooking—A most remarkable late-keeping culinary apple, of English origin; fruit of the largest size; flesh pale yellow, exceedingly rich and juicy; tree extremely hardy and productive, also most vigorous grower.

Ruby Gem—A beautiful apple of medium size, brilliant red all over, flesh snowy white, tender, crisp, juicy, mild, sub-acid, and delicious, strong grower and early bearer; blight-proof; medium.

Ruby Pearmain—Fruit "Pearmain" shaped, of medium size, nearly covered with red, and of good quality; tree hardy and good grower, blight-proof; late.

Rymer—Skin red; an old favourite, long keeper; late.

APPLES (Continued).

Rymer (Cole's)—A highly-coloured dessert apple of good quality; and heavy bearer; late.

Sam Young—A delicious little dessert apple; late.

Santa Clara King—A large roundish apple with yellow skin and red blush on the exposed side, flesh very crisp and juicy; good for all purposes; a good market variety; early.

Scarlet Nonpareil—A handsome, good-keeping, dessert variety; late.

Scarlet Pearmain—One of the prettiest apples grown, good dessert; medium.

Scotch Red Streak—Very much resembling "Gravenstein," and ripening at the same time.

Selector—A first-class late apple.

Senator—A new apple of superior merit. For rare beauty and singularly fine quality, the choice of everyone. The great show apple at the World's Fair. Just the right size to attract buyers. Tree a vigorous grower and regular bearer; flesh yellowish white and of exquisite quality.

Sharp's Early—Raised by Mr. H.E. Sharp. Perfectly blight-proof as far as tested. Fruit of medium size and most handsome appearance, yellow ground, covered with red and crimson stripes; tree a regular and heavy cropper; ripens early in January; one of the best early dessert apples.

Sharp's Late Red—A variety raised by Mr. H. E. Sharp. It is a vigorous grower, hardy and prolific; fruit large; flesh yellow, firm, juicy, melting, with a rich aromatic flavour; colour, bright red on yellow ground, mottled and streaked with bright crimson; in season from June to December. An invaluable variety for any collection. The parent tree has shown no signs of woolly aphis.

Sharp's Nonsuch—Another of Mr. H. E. Sharp's seedlings. Vigorous grower and blight-proof; skin deep yellow striped with red; flesh yellow, tender, and very juicy; pleasant flavour; medium.

Shockley—A very pretty, highly-coloured apple of good keeping qualities; late.

Shorland Queen—A very beautiful dessert apple; medium.

Springdale—Is one of the Stark Bros.' finest late-keeping apples; size, very large; colour, brightest red; tree hardy, good grower, with dark green foliage, and said to be a regular and heavy cropper. This new variety is very promising, and has been the winner of many prizes; tree is blight-proof.

St. Martin's—Large, conical, dessert; flavour very rich; colour dull red, covered with a grey bloom; Award of Merit, R.H.S., England; late.

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Stansill—Medium size; yellowish green, blush on the sunny side, early bearer; good; late.

Statesman—A local seedling raised by Mr. W. Chandler, "Como," Bayswater. The tree is an upright grower and a good bearer; fruit bright golden, striped and shaded with crimson; a good dessert and cooking variety. The raiser has kept same in good condition as late as December.

Stayman Winesap—It has fruited freely in New Zealand, and fully bears out the high opinion in which it is held in America as one of the very best and most handsome of long-keeping dessert apples of the finest quality. An invaluable variety for any collection, and, when known, will be largely planted for late market.

Stewart's Seedling—A first-class culinary apple of good keeping quality, always bringing good prices; late.

Stone Pippin—A well-known apple, and one of the best where it does well; late.

Sturmer Pippin—A constant bearer, good dessert, and a long keeper; late.

Summer King—A valuable early market variety, fruits large, beautifully striped crimson, red, and orange; flesh tender, crisp, juicy, and of best flavour; a prolific and regular cropper. A valuable early summer apple.

Swaar—Large, yellow and russet, flesh soft, of good flavour; tree strong grower and good bearer; late.

Taunton—Large, conical yellow, with dark red cheek; flesh yellow, crisp, highly-flavoured; tree productive and vigorous; medium.

Taupaki—A New Zealand variety, most highly coloured and perfectly-shaped fruit, a yellow ground streaked and striped with bright crimson, a good keeper, with a delicious "Spy" flavour. Trees come into bearing when quite young; a sure and heavy cropper; tree perfectly blight-proof, having been thoroughly tested under various conditions. Useful for all purposes.

The Queen—In England this is considered one of the most beautiful varieties grown; cooking and dessert; late.

Thomas Rivers—(*syn.* "Rivers' Codlin") certificated R.H.S., 4th October, 1892. This apple is a cooking variety of singularly rich flavour, large, and brilliant colour; flesh very firm in texture; ready for use in the middle of April, and lasts until July; the tree is very healthy, forming a handsome bush or pyramid; bears abundantly.

Thorle Pippin—Medium size, handsome and regularly formed; its freedom from blight, early season of ripening, bright colour, clean growth, and hardiness of the tree recommend it as an invaluable variety for all purposes; ripens immediately after "Irish Peach."

APPLES (CONTINUED).

Trivett's Seedling—A medium-sized apple, good colour, heavy bearer and blight-proof; medium.

Twenty Ounce—A very large culinary apple; medium.

Wagner—Medium size: a Canadian apple of great merit, flavour very good, colour bright red; late.

Warner's King—A very large culinary apple of first-rate quality; late.

Wealthy—Fruit medium, whitish-yellow ground, deep crimson on the sunny side; flesh fine, white grained, stained with red, tender, juicy, vinous, sub-acid, first-class variety; late.

Whiney's Late Red—Large, deep red, resembling "Ben Davis," but of much better quality; good grower, a valuable long-keeping and export apple.

White Nonpareil—A richly-flavoured dessert apple; late.

White Transparent—Early, brisk; a great bearer. Recommended as first-class market apple.

William Anderson—A very pretty dessert apple, above medium size, good flavour, and keeps well; tree blight-proof; late.

Williams' Favourite—A very handsome dessert apple; early.

Winter Majetin—A good cooking apple, blight-proof; late.

Winter Peach—Medium size, cream colour, flesh very tender and juicy, with fine acidity, a valuable cooking apple, and keeps well; late.

Winter Strawberry—A useful, late-keeping variety, dessert; late.

Wolf River—A most magnificent and valuable apple. A good dessert, and yet most excellent cooker; it is very large, yet, unlike other apples, it does not drop. Colour, yellow ground, splashed and striped with lively red.

Worcester Pearmain—Medium size; a handsome early kitchen and dessert apple, free bearer and a favourite market apple; early.

Yates—An exceedingly handsome dessert apple; late.

Yellow Bellefleur—Large, oblong, yellow, flesh firm, crisp, juicy, sub-acid; a good grower and productive; late.

DWARF APPLE TREES.

Price—18/- per doz.

These are dwarfed by first working the "Paradise" on to the "Northern Spy," and then the variety on to the "Paradise." They are specially adapted for small gardens where a number of varieties

DWARF APPLE TREES (CONTINUED).

are required, as they can be planted six feet apart. They produce fine fruit, and come early into bearing.

Allington Pippin
Baumann's Red Winter Reinette
Beauty of Bath
Ben Davis
Brownlee's Russet
Buncombe
Cellini
Commerce
Cox's Orange Pippin
Delicious
Duchess of Oldenburg
Esopus Spitzenberg
Foster
Fraise
Golden Reinette
Golden Russet
Golden Spire
Gravenstein
Gravenstein Rouge
Hoover
Jonathan
John Sharp
Jubilee
Kansas Queen
King David
Lane's Prince Albert
Liveland Raspberry
London Pippin
Lord Suffield
Marjory Hay
Mona Hay
Morgan's Seedling
Mr. Gladstone
Munroe's Favourite
Perfection (Shepherd's)
Pomme de Neige
Prince Bismarck
Prince of the Pippins
Reinette du Canada
Ribston Pippin
Rome Beauty
Scarlet Pearmain
Senator
Shorland Queen
Sturmer Pippin
William Anderson
Williams' Favourite
Worcester Pearmain

CIDER APPLES.

Price—12/- per doz.; 75/- per 100.

The following varieties of Cider Apples we imported last year from England, and are supposed to be the best there. Medaille d'Or is a new Cider Apple from France, and is highly recommended there.

Broadleaved Norman
Cherry Norman
Cherry Pearmain
Cowarne Red
Cumming Norman
Foxwhelp
Jersey Chisel
Medaille d'Or
Red Streak
Skyrmes Kernel
White Norman

CRAB APPLES, ETC.

Price—2/- each; 18/- per doz.

The following sorts of Crabs are very bright and ornamental during the autumn, and are exceedingly pretty in shrubberies arranged with regard to the colours of the fruits, which hang for some time on the trees. Many of these sorts make a very good preserve:—

Coral (Chicago)—Rich warm yellow ground, with a vermilion cheek.

Dartmouth—Deep purple crimson, large, with a fine bloom.

Eliza Rathke—A weeping variety; fruit medium size, yellow, vinous, and a good keeper, useful as well as ornamental.

Florence—A very pretty crimson-coloured variety.

Halleana—A flowering variety, producing long sprays of white flowers, changing to pink.

Malus Aurea—Leaves yellow, clear green in the centre.

Malus Floribunda (LARGE FRUITED)—Differs from the pretty "Malus Floribunda" in the size and colour of the fruit. The tree in the autumn is as yellow as a laburnum. The flowers are as profuse as on the original tree, and are the same bright colour and very fragrant.

Niedwetzkiana—Originated from Central Asia, where it was found both wild and cultivated; the wood, leaves, blooms, and fruit are red.

Oblong—Light yellow, striped with crimson and carmine.

Purple—Deep purple, very sweet.

Spectabilis—A very pretty flowering tree, with light-pink semi-double flowers.

Siberian—A well-known, highly-coloured Crab Apple.

APPLES.

New and of Recent Introduction.

Price—2/6 each; 24/- per doz.; £7/10/- per 100.

Allen's Everlasting—Medium size; a valuable late apple, fruit very rich and good; keeps well; very late.

Barnack Beauty—Medium, a brightly-coloured market apple; keeps well; late.

APPLES, New and of Recent Introduction (continued).

Bowhill Pippin—A useful apple for either dessert or kitchen.

Berrs Red.

Byford Wonder.

Christmas Pearmain—Fruit medium size and excellent flavour, scarlet on the exposed side, with russet markings; a good grower and enormous bearer.

Duke of Devonshire—Medium size, crisp, juicy, rich, and sugary; a first-class apple; late.

Edward Lippiatt—Fruit large, roundish, sometimes oblate, even and regular in outline; skin yellow, streaked with lively crimson; flesh white, crisp, juicy, and sweet, with a fine aromatic perfume and exceedingly rich flavour. Tree vigorous, heavy and early bearer; a dessert apple of highest excellence; late.

Egremont Russet—Medium, round, flattened, light russet, highly flavoured; upright habit; late.

Horn—Small to medium; tree hardy and productive; a desert apple of first-rate quality; a good keeper.

James Grieve—A splendid early dessert apple of medium size and fine flavour; tree hardy and vigorous, resembling Cox's Orange Pippin, but much earlier; one of the best for early shipments.

King's Acre Pippin—A splendid late dessert apple; the fruit resembles the Ribston Pippin in shape, but is a little flatter, colour greenish yellow, flushed and striped with red; flesh yellow, crisp, and juicy; a valuable market apple; late.

King David—"King David" is a rich dark red apple with yellowish flesh; flavour good, juicy and rich, indeed the quality is of the very best. The apple is supposed to be a cross between Jonathan and Arkansas Black, and adds the quality of the former to the fine appearance of the latter. The King David apple has been exhibited at a number of horticultural meetings, and several years ago was awarded the premium by the Illinois State Horticultural Society for the best new apple. Tree is hardy and vigorous, and great things are expected from this new variety. Mr. J. M. Rutland, of Warncoort, saw this apple at Stark Bros.' orchard, in America, at the time it was highly coloured, whilst Jonathan was only green, hence it should be the most valuable for early shipments to Europe.

Lady Sudeley—A good early apple, large pale yellow, marked with crimson streaks, very pretty upright habit and productive. First-class Certificate Royal Horticultural Society, England.

Late Gravenstein.

APPLES, New and of Recent Introduction (continued).

Lincolnshire Triumph—Medium-sized, round, handsomely-shaped, skin of a deep bright crimson, yellow where shaded, flesh juicy, tender, white stained with red; a good desert apple; medium.

Norfolk Beauty—Large and excellent, free bearer, golden yellow. First-class certificate England, 9th December, 1902.

Parlin's Beauty—Very large and handsome apple; tree extremely hardy and prolific; a valuable apple for all purposes.

Pott's Seedling—A very large first-class kitchen apple, very prolific, and a strong grower.

Rival—A new apple of medium size and very highly coloured, awarded certificate of merit by the Royal Horticultural Society, England; late.

Rosemary Russet—Medium size, juicy, rich flavour, good keeper; a really good all-round apple; late.

Sanspareil.

Stevenson's Winter.

St. Edmund's Russet.

The Houblon—Introduced from England, and recommended as a first-class market apple. It resembles Cox's Orange Pippin in appearance; crisp, juicy, and excellent. Awarded certificate of merit, 17th December, 1901.

Wright's Perfection—As described by the raiser, Mr. Wright, of Avondale, Auckland:—A desert apple of the highest excellence, and a seedling from Jonathan that surpasses its parent in every respect; the tree can almost be considered blight-proof, and is of very dwarf, sturdy habit. This apple is one of the heaviest croppers that I know of, and comes into bearing sooner than any other apple, trees bearing freely at one year old in the nursery rows; an ornament to any garden or orchard; in season from March to May.

Winterstein—Raised by Luther Burbank; a seedling from "Gravenstein," it closely resembles the parent; ripens six weeks later. The tree is a clean grower and most prolific cropper; the fruits are most highly coloured; flesh yellow, crisp, and exceedingly rich and juicy. A dessert apple of the highest quality.

Xavier de Bavay—Large, orange-yellow, marbled and striated carmine on the sunny side; flesh yellowish-white, fine, tender, juicy, sugary, perfumed; first quality; late.

Yorkshire Beauty—Large and excellent kitchen apple, free bearer, golden yellow, good keeper, late; received first-class Certificate Royal Horticultural Society, England, December 9th, 1902.

APRICOTS.

ON SEEDLING APRICOT STOCKS.

Price—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100; £30 per 1000.

Acme of Shense—Very large yellow, with a red cheek, good quality; freestone. The tree is a free and vigorous grower.

Alexis—A Russian apricot; very hardy and prolific bearer; yellow, with red-streaked cheek; large to very large; slightly acid, rich and luscious.

Allen's Early—An early apricot of good quality; medium.

Alsace—Large, pale orange, rich and good; medium.

Beauge—Medium size, good colour and very fine flavour; heavy bearer; medium.

Belle de Toulouse—Large, rich and good; late.

Bruchet—Oval; skin fine, orange-yellow, very dark carmine on the sunny side; flesh firm, lemon-yellow, fine, melting, well perfumed; early.

Brugarta—This is considered a most valuable variety; fruit large; flesh bright orange and of delicious flavour; tree symmetrical, upright and vigorous grower, of robust habit; very productive.

Campbellfield Seedling—Fine golden yellow, an excellent variety for jam making, hardy and good bearer; medium.

Canino Grosse—Large, bright orange; a hardy apricot of good quality; medium.

Dundonald—Large, orange, very rich; late.

Early Golden—A somewhat small fruit, but very early, and on that account likely to bring better prices than later and finer apricots. It is a rich yellow, very productive and sweet.

Early Moorpark—Similar to "Moorpark," but earlier.

Gooley—A Californian seedling of large size and good flavour. It is considered a very valuable variety, being largely planted where known. Said to be the earliest of the large varieties.

Hative d'Auvergne—Highly flavoured, good grower; early.

Hemskirke—Bright orange, tender, rich and juicy, and excellent bearer; medium.

J. L. Budd—The best Russian apricot; strong grower and profuse bearer; fruit large size, colour white with red cheek; fine flavoured.

Kaisha—A richly flavoured variety; early.

Large Early—A fine early apricot of excellent flavour.

Large Red—Deep orange red, a hardy variety of the peach apricot; medium.

APRICOTS (CONTINUED).

Luizette—Very large fruit rich and highly flavoured. It was raised by M. Luizette, of Lyons. For fine size, good quality, and vigor of growth, it is unsurpassed. It is also an abundant and regular bearer.

Mansfield Seedling—Very large, one of the finest grown; late.

Montgamet—Fruit medium size, juicy and agreeably acid; good for preserving; early.

Moorpark—A well-known apricot of great excellence; medium.

Mrs. Hart.—A variety from Queensland; good cropper.

Newcastle Early—Medium size; rich golden yellow with a red cheek; a regular bearer, ripening before Oullin's or immediately after Red Muscadine; requires to be heavily thinned.

Ouillin's Early Improved—A very fine early apricot, said to be an improvement on "Oullin's Early Peach" apricot.

Oullin's Early Peach—A large fruit of most delicious flavour, one of the best early apricots.

Paviot—Very large, skin fine, orange-yellow, carmine on the sunny side; flesh fine, melting, juicy, sugary, agreeably perfumed; medium.

Peach—Large, oval, juicy, and sugary, somewhat musky flavour; medium.

Pennant Hill Oval—Large, oval, sweet, and very prolific.

Pineapple—Large, rich, and of beautiful colour; late.

Precoce de Victoria.

Precoce de Wunnie—A seedling of "Oullin's Early Peach," which it resembles, but ripens earlier.

Riverside—Raised by H. Wicks, Riverside Nursery, S.A. Fruit large to very large, roundish oval, of best quality; skin yellowish green, with a red cheek where exposed; tree a strong grower, with short-jointed wood and large foliage; a sure bearer of fine fruit, ripening a fortnight before "Moorpark."

Robin's Imperial—Raised by Mr. A. B. Robin, of Nuriootpa, South Australia. Fruit medium to large, of good quality, does not commence to ripen till first week in January. A valuable late variety.

Roman—Medium size, pale yellow, very hardy, suitable for cool districts; medium.

Rouge (*syn.* "Angoumois")—Small, deep yellow, red on the sunny side, good flavour; early.

Royal—Large, one of the best for drying; medium.

Royal George—Large, deep orange, one of the finest for preserving; late.

APRICOTS (CONTINUED).

Sardinian—A very early small apricot of good flavour, strong grower and a heavy bearer.

Shipley—Deep yellow; an early productive variety.

St. Ambrose—Large, rich, and good; medium.

Tilton—A new Californian seedling; fruit very large, rich apricot colour, high flavour, uniform ripening, productive, with frost-resisting qualities and vigorous growth which easily place it far in advance of all other varieties; for drying and canning it is much superior to any of the older sorts.

Turkey—Medium size, highly coloured, rich and sugary; late.

Twyford Seedling—Good bearer; late.

Warwick—Large, resembling "Moorpark," constant bearer, flesh orange, firm, particularly rich and sugary; early.

APRICOTS ON PLUM STOCKS.

We have a limited number of the following varieties on Plum stocks, these being preferred by some growers on wet land.

Alsace
Early Moorpark
Harris
Hemskirke
Large Early
Mansfield Seedling
Moorpark
Newcastle Early
Oullin's Early Improved
Oullin's Early Peach
Shipley

APRICOTS ON PEACH STOCKS.

Alsace
Dundonald
Early Moorpark
Hemskirke
Large Early
Moorpark
Mansfield Seedling
Oullen's Early Peach
Shipley

CHERRIES.

ON MAZZARD SEEDLING STOCKS.

Price—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100; £30 per 1000.

Abesse—Of the "Red Duke" family, largely grown in Russia and East Europe. Has been tested with best results in United States. Fruit is large, dark red, delicious, almost equal to the "Heart" cherries.

Archduke—Fruit larger than "May Duke," dark red when fully ripe, juicy, sweet and briskly flavoured.

Bedford Prolific—Large, handsome, black, a good market variety; medium.

Belle de Montreuil—Fruit very large, round, marbled with red; flesh firm deep red, sugary, perfumed; early.

Belle d'Orleans—Red, tender and juicy; early.

Belle Ellen (*syn.* "Wilk's Seedling")—Large, deep glossy black, first-class cherry; medium.

Bigarreau, Christy's—A large midseason cherry of colonial origin; medium.

„ **Cleveland**—Bright red and yellow, richly flavoured; medium.

„ **Common**—Large, fine and good bearer, pale red; medium.

„ **d'Hollande**—Bright red, firm flesh, and prolific; late.

„ **Elizabeth**—A large red cherry; late.

„ **Frogmore**—Large, pale yellow and red, juicy, and of excellent flavour; early.

„ **Gaucher**—A new early cherry, imported from France. Fruit is very large; skin is brown-red; flesh reddish, firm, juicy, and very good. Tree is a vigorous and hardy grower.

„ **Gross Coeuret**—Large, dark red, flesh firm; medium.

„ **Jaboulay**—Large, dark red, remarkably rich and delicious; the earliest "Bigarreau" known; ripens twelve to fourteen days before "May Duke."

„ **Late Mottled**—A first-class late cherry.

„ **Monstreux de Mezel**—A very large handsome cherry of excellent quality; medium.

„ **Napoleon**—Large, bright red, firm; late.

„ **Pellissier**—A beautiful large cherry, imported from France, measuring one inch in diameter; skin dark glossy red, flesh firm, juicy, crisp and sugary; a first-class early variety.

CHERRIES (CONTINUED).

Bigarreau, Riverchon—Large, dark red, almost black; late.

„ **Rockport**—A delicious soft-fleshed cherry; early.

„ **Twyford**—Pale yellow and red, of first-class quality; early.

„ **Turkey**—Large, red and yellow, heavy bearer; medium.

Black Bohemian—A large fine black cherry, and first-class for market; medium.

Black Eagle—Medium size, a very heavy and regular bearer; medium.

Black Republican—A black variety of medium size, a most prolific bearer; medium.

Black Tartarian—Large, black, strong grower and very prolific, good market variety; medium.

Burgsdorf's Seedling—A first-class cherry of colonial origin, raised by Mr. Burgsdorf, of Harcourt.

California Advance—A seedling of "Early Purple Guigne"; fruit large, purple; tree a great bearer; the best early cherry.

Centennial—A Californian seedling of the largest size and highest excellence; tree most vigorous and robust, hardy grower and prolific bearer.

Chapman—Introduced from California, a seedling of "Black Tartarian," larger and finer, a better bearer, and—what constitutes its great value—much earlier, ripens immediately after "Purple Guigne."

Doncaster Prolific—A local seedling, said to be an improvement on "Bedford Prolific," being much firmer and a better market variety; medium.

Eagle's Seedling—A fine black cherry, ripening about the same time as the "Common Bigarreau," when black cherries are scarce; medium.

Early Lyons—Black, firm flesh, and large; early.

„ **Purple Guigne**—A delicious black cherry, large and early.

„ **Red Guigne.**

„ **Rivers**—A splendid black cherry; early.

Florence—Large, very firm, a heavy bearer, late, and first-class market cherry.

Francis Moss.

Heart of Midlothian—Large, nearly black, flesh tender and rich; early.

Kentish—Good for cooking and preserving; medium.

CHERRIES (CONTINUED).

Knight's Early Black—Large and heavy bearer; early.

Lewelling—An American seedling from "Black Tartarian," of great merit; fruit deep rich cherry colour and fine flavour; late.

Louis XVIII.—A large, late, black, firm-fleshed cherry.

May Duke—Large brownish-black; early.

Montmorency—An early cherry of the "Morello" class, said to be a week earlier than the "Kentish" cherry.

Morello—A cooking cherry; late.

Noble—A very large dark red cherry, imported from Thos. Rivers and Sons, England; flesh firm and rich; very late. This cherry has received a First-class Certificate from the Royal Horticultural Society, England.

Olivet—Large, globular, shining, deep red; tender, rich, and vinous; the best of the "Duke" tribe.

Oregon—A new seedling cherry from Oregon, very large; colour reddish purple, flesh firm and sweet; very late; a great acquisition.

Ostheimer—Another new variety of the "Morello" type. Begins to bear very early, and produces heavy and regular crops. Fruit large, heart-shaped, almost black when ripe, rich, juicy, and less acid than the "Morello."

Ramon Oliva—A beautiful variety, dark red, glossy, flesh firm, sweet and fine; very early and prolific.

Reine Hortense—Large, bright red, changing to dark red, skin very thin and translucent, tender and juicy; late.

Royal Duke (Donna Maria)—Large and handsome, deep shining red, tender, juicy, and very rich; medium.

St. Marguerite—Very large, black, firm, one of the best market varieties; late.

Suda Hardy—A most valuable late cherry, an improved "Morello," of which it is evidently a seedling, and it surpasses that good old variety. The tree is hardier, with better foliage, and a most thrifty grower; exceedingly prolific.

Werder's Early Black—A fine black cherry, heavy bearer and fine flavour; early.

Windsor—Very large, dark red, nearly black, very firm; late.

CHERRIES.

ON MAHALEB SEEDLING STOCKS.

Price—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

These are like the Apples on "Paradise" stock, growing much dwarfer, and thus best suited for small gardens. They can be planted ten feet apart.

Bedford Prolific	Burgdorf's Seedling
Belle de Orleans	California Advance
Bigarreau Common	Centennial
„ d'Hollande	Chapman
„ Frogmore	Doncaster Prolific
„ Gaucher	Eagle's Seedling
„ Gros Coeuret	Early Purple Guigne
„ Jaboulay	Early Rivers
„ Pelissier	Florence
„ Riverchon	Knight's Early Black
„ Rockport	Lewelling
„ Turkey	May Duke
„ Twyford	Morello
Black Bohemian	Noble
Black Eagle	St. Marguerite
Black Tartarian	Werder's Early Black

NEW CHERRIES.

Price—2/- each; 18/- per doz.

Bigarreau Noir de Guben—Large and good, very lustrous in colour and a prolific bearer.

Bigarreau Noir de Schmidt—A very large black cherry, rich and good; medium.

Precoce de Boppard—Recommended as one of the earliest cherries grown. Skin glossy, dark brownish red, striped and spotted; flesh sweet, juicy, slightly acid; tree vigorous.

NECTARINES.

Price—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100; £30 per 1000.

Albert Victor—A very large, handsome fruit, very juicy, with a brisk and sprightly flavour; medium.

Ansenne—The parent of "Goldmine." The fruit is of the largest size, and very highly coloured; flesh tender, melting, and of most delicious flavour; tree extremely hardy, and a regular cropper.

Byron (Rivers)—A late orange nectarine, flavour rich and excellent, extra large and handsome, heavy cropper. A great acquisition to this desirable class.

Cardinal (Rivers)—This valuable nectarine ripens ten days ahead of "Early Rivers," is of medium size, very brilliant colour, and exquisite distinct flavour; forms a compact, sturdy tree, and bears freely; most valuable on account of its extreme earliness.

Early Rivers—Fruit of largest size, skin rich crimson on side next sun, light yellow, marked with red on shaded side; flesh is tender, juicy, and very rich, with a decided "Stanwick" flavour; very early.

Elruge—Medium size, melting, juicy and richly flavoured; early.

Fairchild's White—Fruit rather small, a great bearer; early.

Goldmine—This nectarine originated in the garden of Mr. Lundon, of Parnell, N.Z. The fruit is of an enormous size. It is a perfect freestone, the pit or stone being extremely small for so large a fruit. The flesh is a beautiful cream colour, tender, juicy, melting, and sugary, and of most delicious flavour; colour bright bronzy red; season of ripening, last week of February.

Goldoni—A fine dark-coloured variety of excellent flavour.

Humboldt—Fruit large, bright orange, dark crimson on the sunny side, flesh very tender, juicy, and well flavoured; medium.

Hunt's Tawny—Pale orange and deep red, rich and juicy; early.

Irrewarra—Medium or above medium, highly coloured, of good flavour, a freestone, and very early.

Lees' Seedling—This magnificent nectarine was raised by Mr. Lees, of Beenak, from a peach stone twenty years ago, and is still bearing beautiful fruit; the sample brought to us measured nine inches in circumference. It is of beautiful colour, and flavour all that could be desired. Doing so well at Beenak, being a cool district, it should be very hardy. We have no hesitation in saying that this is the best nectarine we have seen, and should become a great favourite with planters.

NECTARINES (CONTINUED).

Lippiatt's Prolific—Large, highly coloured, rich and sweet; tree of upright growth, hardy, and prolific; early.

Lord Napier—Fruit of large size, flesh white, tender, juicy, and with a rich "Stanwick" flavour; early.

Madame de la Bastie—Medium size, skin purple-red, darker on the sunny side; flesh yellowish white, red near the stone, firm, melting, very juicy, sweet, well perfumed, of first quality, freestone; medium.

Milton—Fruit very large, roundish oval, skin bright greenish yellow, but deep red next the sun; flesh greenish white, pale red next the stone, very juicy, rich, and finely flavoured, a fine exhibition fruit; medium.

Mrs. Dr. Chisholm—A very early variety; ripe in the beginning of December.

New Boy—Fruit of largest size and extremely handsome, covered all over with brilliant crimson; flesh white, juicy, sugary, and of exquisite flavour; tree very hardy and a profuse cropper; one of the best.

Olmstead—Imported from California. It promises to be a sterling variety, season late; size large, red-cheeked on side next to sun, and very showy; flavour is very rich and sweet, equal to the very best, and is a perfect freestone; tree hardy and a good grower.

Pitmaston Orange—Large, roundish, rich orange red next the sun; juicy, rich, and excellent; early.

Precoce de Croncels—A new nectarine imported from France; described by the raiser as "the earliest nectarine," ripening before all others; fruit large, skin yellowish, with a dark plum colour; freestone, first quality; highly recommended.

Red Roman—Large, yellow and red, rich, juicy, and highly vinous; medium.

Shorland Tawny—A fine variety and good flavour; medium.

Spenser—One of the largest nectarines. Fruit beautifully coloured, a deep brown red, mottled on the shady side, very heavy, round; flesh light green, red next the stone; freestone; very rich and good, a superb exhibition fruit; late.

Stanwick—Large, quality first-class; late.

Victoria Rivers—Very large, of good quality, and a heavy bearer.

White Slipstone—Large, with a slight tinge of red next the sun, very juicy and fine flavour; early.

PEACHES.

All our Peaches are worked on Seedling Peach Stocks.

Price—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100; £30 per 1000.

Admiral Dewey—A new early yellow-fleshed freestone, ripening with "Triumph"; skin deep orange-yellow, with crimson cheek; flesh clear yellow, juicy, melting, and of superb quality. A valuable addition to early yellow peaches.

Akarana—Large, round, most highly coloured and handsome; flesh sweet, sugary, and of most delicious peach flavour; a sure cropper, hardy and good grower, a valuable acquisition. Ripe middle to end of February.

Alexander's Early—Very fine quality, and highly coloured.

Alexandra Noblesse—Richly flavoured, tender and juicy; early.

American Noblesse—A yellow-fleshed peach of medium size; freestone; skin dark red, an ideal market peach; tree strong grower and heavy bearer, one of the best.

Amsden's June—Highly coloured, good flavour; very early.

Arkansas Traveller—A first-class early peach, similar to "Brigg,s Red May."

Beauty of Taupaki—Seedling from "Wheatland;" reliable heavy bearer and a hardy grower; fruit large, very showy; flesh yellow, with red at the stone; flavour rich, luscious and juicy; perfect freestone.

Bell's October—Large, rich yellow, with red cheek; freestone, of highest quality; very late.

Bilyen's Late October—Fruit large, with a bright red cheek; flesh white, sweet and excellent; late.

Black's Late—A valuable late variety from Keri Keri; large, and of most handsome appearance; flesh firm, juicy, and of delicious peach flavour; tree exceedingly prolific.

Bonanza—A magnificent large freestone peach; very late; has a rich red cheek, white flesh, fine quality, productive, and a vigorous grower; a valuable acquisition as a late peach.

Brandywine—A large yellow peach, similar to "Late Crawford," but ripening much later.

Brigg's Red May—Very early, highly coloured, rich and juicy.

Burton's Newington—Fine flavour; medium.

Carman—A new hardy peach, ripening same time as "Early Rivers," large, roundish, with pale yellow skin, red blush on sunny side; white flesh, tender and melting; rich, sweet, and of superior flavour; the finest second early peach.

Chair's Choice—A late yellow-fleshed peach of largest size; deep yellow, with red cheek; flesh firm, and quality unsurpassed either as a dessert fruit or canned; ripens with "Salwey."

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

Christiana—A beautiful and most delicious peach, of superior size and quality; late.

Comet—Very large, yellow flesh, a fine canning peach; late.

Conkling—A splendid yellow-fleshed peach, very hardy and prolific; good for canning; medium.

Copas Late Red—An extra large freestone peach, colour red, ripens in March. It is without doubt the best freestone peach of its season, quality good, and should become a great favourite.

Crimson Beauty—A valuable clingstone peach, with white flesh; skin creamy yellow, with one-half the surface covered with bright crimson; said to be very hardy and productive; ripens end of February.

Crosby—A very hardy peach, fine colour, flesh yellow, flavour superb; it will sell alongside any other sort of its season, and has been kept for two weeks after travelling a long distance by rail.

Delicious—An exceedingly handsome peach; skin yellow, with minute carmine dots, red all over towards the sun; flesh yellow, stone small, flavour can only be described as "delicious"; ripens a week before "Crosby," and is the finest dessert peach of its season; a sure cropper, and invaluable for small gardens.

Domerque—A variety imported from France, said to be the earliest peach known; a good bearer, exquisite flavour, freestone.

Downing—Dark red, very richly flavoured; early.

Duchess of Cornwall—An early peach, ripening with "Alexander"; medium size, freestone; skin creamy yellow, with a red striped cheek; melting and delicious, with a distinct nectarine flavour, grows well and bears freely. "The Gardener's Magazine" of 4th August, 1900, says:—"A finer flavoured peach could not be desired, and we shall expect to find the 'Duchess of Cornwall' taking a leading position among early varieties."

Duke of Edinburgh—Nice coloured and very productive; late.

Early Crawford—A splendid yellow and crimson coloured peach, good for canning or dessert; medium.

Early Rivers—A most delicious peach, white with red where exposed to the sun. This is a very heavy cropper in all districts.

Early Silver—Creamy white, delicately coloured on the exposed side; large and constant bearer; tree very dwarf.

Elberta—A splendid midseason peach, and spoken of in the highest terms by "The American Garden"; it is a large, handsome peach, well coloured by the sun, yields heavy crops, and carries well.

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

Foster—This is considered one of the best peaches of American origin, and before all others for drying and canning; large, deep orange red, with rich colour on the exposed side; flesh yellow, rich, and juicy; freestone; a few days earlier than "Early Crawford."

Globe—This is one of the largest, most delicious peaches of the age; it is a golden yellow, with beautiful red cheek; is a freestone of the largest size, with firm yellow flesh, pleasant, rich, and juicy, globular in form, with good keeping qualities, and an enormous bearer.

Gold Dust—A new yellow clingstone peach. This grand peach comes from the United States, where it has the reputation of being one of the finest standard varieties. Large, round, deep yellow with a red cheek; flesh very rich, yellow and juicy, of unusually fine quality.

Hale's Early—A really first class peach in every way, and always brings the top price in the market.

Hawkesbury Champion—This is the latest freestone peach of first-class quality, ripening from the middle of March to second week in April, and will keep twenty days after being picked if not bruised. The tree is a vigorous grower, and good, heavy cropper.

Hay's Midseason—This variety originated in Messrs. D. Hay and Sons' Nursery. The fruit is of the largest size, of handsome appearance and very best quality, rivalling that magnificent peach "Foster." It is a freestone, flesh rich deep yellow, luscious and deliciously flavoured. Same season as "Foster."

High's Early Canada—A very early peach of greatest excellence, ripening same time as "Brigg's Red May," but a better bearer.

Husted's Early—Similar to "Hale's Early" in appearance; smooth skin, well coloured; flesh creamy; freestone; ripens end of January.

Improved Flat China—An improvement on "Flat China"; very early.

Jones' Early—Very fine colour; rich flavour.

Kalamazoo—The most profitable peach of its season; tree extremely hardy and a certain bearer; fruit large, round, handsome appearance; flesh bright yellow, and deliciously flavoured. An invaluable variety for all purposes. Comes in at a good season, ripening after "Sea Eagle."

Kerr's Seedling—A splendid large hardy variety; late.

Kia Ora—A seedling from "Elberta," identical in size and general appearance of the fruits with that most esteemed of all yellow-fleshed peaches, but of superior flavour; a much better cropper and hardier tree.

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

Lady in Gold—This is a handsome, large, and attractive variety, and is desirable not only for market but for the home garden, being one of the best in quality of any of the yellow-fleshed peaches; it is highly coloured and a freestone, ripening immediately after "Hale's Early."

La France—Imported from France, said to be one of the best varieties raised by M. Alexis Lepere. Beautiful fruit, very large, somewhat higher than wide, one side thicker than the other; skin dark carmine red; flesh white, fine, melting, juicy, of an exquisite perfume; tree vigorous and prolific; early.

Late Crawford—A superior yellow peach, very large, productive, good for canning or market; late.

Lemon Cling—A large lemon-coloured clingstone peach, good for canning; late.

Lemon Freestone—Large; pale yellow; in season from 20th March. Tree very productive; flesh rich clear yellow, without any red at the stone. A perfect freestone and good canner.

Lippiatt's Late Red—Another fine peach, ripe first week in April; colour creamy, mottled, striped and overspread with dark red; fine flavour; tree a fine grower and an immense bearer.

Lord Palmerston—A very large late peach.

Louis Grognet—Imported from France. A seedling of Alexis Lepere, vigorous and prolific; fruit large, beautiful; flesh white, fine, sugary; freestone; ripens after "Hale's Early" and before "Grosse Mignonne Precoce."

Mahuta—Fruit of the largest size and most handsome appearance; a perfect freestone; flesh rich, deep yellow, and of superb quality. Resembles "Foster" in size, colour, flavour, and general appearance. Tree a hardy and sturdy grower, never fails to produce a full crop; in season end of February and early March. A magnificent peach.

Majestic—A yellow-fleshed peach of enormous size and great beauty, but only fair in quality, most suitable for preserving or canning; freestone, and a good bearer.

Mamie Ross—Very large and handsome; flesh white and juicy, melting; ripens by middle of January; is a half cling, sure bearer, and extremely hardy; a valuable market variety.

Maoriland—Produces fruit of the largest size and most showy appearance; flesh light and very delicate, and of delicious, sugary, and refined flavour; a perfect freestone, the stone being very small with a sharp point. Ripe middle to end of March, coming in at season when a good peach is much needed.

Marshall's Late—Very large, deep yellow; immensely productive; ripens about 20th March; a valuable late market variety.

Merchant Campbell—Large and good; medium.

Orange Cling—A very large yellow peach; a good canning variety. It is a strong grower and heavy bearer.

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

Osprey Improved—Resembles "Osprey" in size and flavour, but is rounder and of much more handsome appearance, a perfect freestone, and ripens later; a most valuable late peach.

Paragon—A seedling from "Elberta," medium size, deep yellow, mottled with red when thoroughly ripe; very juicy and rich; clingstone.

Peregrine—A distinct mid-season variety, distinguished by its good constitution and productiveness. The fruits are large and handsome, with a brilliant crimson skin; the flesh rich, highly-flavoured, and parting readily from the stone. Raised by Mr. Rivers.

Powell's Beauty—A beautiful large yellow freestone peach, with deep red cheek. Mr. Powell, in whose garden it originated, has picked from the tree peaches which weighed 12 ounces. It is of delightful flavour, and keeps well.

Red-leaved Peach—This peach is remarkable for the colour of its foliage—in the spring being of a bright purple, as the season advances it changes to a deep bronze; the blossom is handsome, and the fruit, which is produced abundantly, is of fine flavour, clingstone and striped, making it of unique appearance; valuable for both shrubbery and orchard.

Reine des Verges—Fruit large, roundish; skin whitish, mostly covered with dull deep purplish red in the sun; flesh whitish, red at stone, juicy, melting, vinous; late.

Roser—One of the hardiest and best late peaches ever introduced, a perfect freestone of the best quality, rich, meaty, and juicy, with a mild sub-acid flavour, and when cooked or canned has no superior. The fruit is large and somewhat oblong, with a beautiful flush on one side.

Royal George—A well-known variety, one of the best; medium.

„ „ **(Clingstone)**—Large, rich, and handsome; medium.

„ „ **(English)**—Large, good colour, and highly flavoured; medium.

Salwey—Flesh deep yellow, similar to an apricot; late.

Saunders—Richly flavoured and highly coloured; early.

Shanghai—Large, greenish yellow, red at the stone; a favourite peach in New South Wales.

Shepherd's Late—A large and handsome clingstone; flesh solid, white, red near the stone, rich flavour; season middle to end of March; good colour; tree hardy, good grower, a regular and abundant bearer.

Shipley's Red—This is one of the most beautiful of peaches, and very popular where known. The fruit is of large size and fine appearance, flesh white, with beautiful flush, tree vigorous and very productive; late.

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

Sneed—The earliest peach known; is said to ripen two weeks before "Briggs' Red May." It is a seedling from "Chinese Cling"; fruit medium size, somewhat oval in shape; colour creamy white, with rich red blush on sunny side, ripens evenly to the pit, and is of fine quality; very early.

Surecrop—As the name denotes, a sure and abundant cropper; ripe middle of January; fruit large and handsome; flesh white, melting, and juicy; tree a vigorous grower and extremely hardy.

Susquehana—Fruit very large, colour rich yellow with red cheek, an excellent variety; medium.

Tauranga—A late yellow-fleshed peach from Tauranga; enormous size, fine appearance, good for all purposes.

Triumph—The earliest yellow peach known, ripens just after "Sneed" and with "Alexander." This variety is much esteemed in United States, where it is well known. "Triumph" makes very strong growth, blooms late, has large flowers, and is a sure and abundant bearer. Fruit of large size, with small pit; skin yellow, nearly covered with red, showing dark crimson on the sunny side; flesh bright yellow, and is better in quality than most yellow peaches; very early.

Waterloo—A medium-size peach, dark red, melting, and richly-flavoured; early.

Wiggins—An early freestone of large size, and most highly coloured; ripens just after "Briggs' Red May" and before "Hale." Tree very hardy and prolific bearer; flesh very rich and juicy. Most valuable as a market peach.

Wilder—Rich red colour, fine flavour; early.

Wonderful—This peach has been awarded first premium and special prize of silver medal in America. Mr. Lovett, the introducer, says: "It is of largest size, excellent quality, a regular and most prolific bearer, and in beauty excelled by no other peach."

Yellow Mystery—A large round yellow peach with crimson cheek. It is a handsome variety, with firm, luscious yellow flesh; tree vigorous and productive; medium.

NEW PEACHES.

Price—18/- per doz.

Baltet—Large fruit, deep coloured, tree vigorous and prolific, variety recommended by the Congress Pomologique of France; the best of all late sorts.

Shipper **Up-to-date** **Wright's Early** **Wright's Ruby**

The four above varieties of New Seedling Peaches we received from New Zealand, without any description, and have not fruited same.

PEARS.

ALL ON SEEDLING STOCKS.

Price—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100; £30 per 1000.

Bailey's Bergamot—A splendid pear, rich and melting; tree strong grower and very productive.

Bartlett Hybrid—Resembles Bartlett, said to come earlier into bearing than that well known variety; early.

Bergamotte Prince Rudolph d'Autriche—Medium to large size; skin smooth; colour pale green, turning to golden lemon when ripe; flesh very melting.

Bartlett—See "Williams' Bon Chretien."

Beacon—A bright and handsome pear, ripening in January, flavour good; very prolific.

Beurre Bosc—A large dessert pear of first-rate quality; medium.

„ **Bretonneau**—Large russet, with brownish red on the side next the sun; flesh white, juicy, and well flavoured; a late dessert pear, and good bearer.

„ **Brown**—An old favourite dessert pear; medium.

„ **Du Buisson**—This is one of the best-flavoured pears in cultivation, coming in after "Marie Louise" is over, and the fruit grows to a great size under favourable circumstances, measuring to 4 inches in length and 2¾ inches in diameter.

„ **Clairgeau**—A large pear of first quality; late.

„ **d'Anjou**—Large, melting and juicy; medium.

„ **de Capiaumont**—A first-class market pear, very prolific and hardy; medium.

„ **Diel**—Very large, often weighing 16 to 20 ounces; melting and excellent; a well known and excellent pear; late.

„ **de Mortillet**—A large and handsome fruit of obovate shape, 5 to 6 inches long. The flesh is white and pleasantly flavoured.

„ **Easter**—A good winter dessert pear; late.

„ **Fonqueray**—A large and handsome pear. The blossoms seem to resist spring frosts better than those of most varieties of French origin. The tree is a stout, sturdy grower, and heavy cropper. First-class certificates from the Royal Horticultural Society.

„ **Hardy**—An excellent large, melting pear; the tree remarkable for its beauty and vigour of growth; medium.

„ **Superfine**—Large and delicious melting pear; one of the best for dessert; tree hardy and prolific bearer.

PEARS (CONTINUED).

Bessamianka—The hardiest pear grown. Fruit medium sized, perfect pear shape, and nearly or quite seedless. Flesh, tender, juicy, mild, sub-acid, almost buttery; a good dessert pear; ripe early autumn.

Bezi Mai—Large size and delicious flavour, a heavy and regular bearer, commencing to bear the third and fourth year, increasing rapidly in quantity of crop; strongly recommended for home and market use; late.

Black Achan—Large, one the best cooking varieties; late.

Bountiful—Fine flavour, rich, melting, and aromatic; immense cropper, fruit large; autumn.

Brockworth Park ("Bonne d'Ezée"?)—Large and very good. This pear is so much like the "Bonne d'Ezée" that it is hardly worth keeping distinct.

Broompark—Medium size, an excellent dessert pear; late.

Citron des Carmes—Melting and juicy; very early.

Clapp's Favourite—An American pear of highest excellence, ripens just before "Williams' Bon Chretien;" early.

Comte de Chambord—An excellent pear, large and good bearer; late.

Comte de Flandre—Large and excellent; late.

Conference ("Rivers")—Fruit large pyriform; skin dark green and russet; flesh salmon-coloured, melting, juicy, and rich; tree robust and hardy, making a strong healthy growth. Very prolific, and a valuable market sort.

Dempsey—A cross between "Williams' Bon Chretien" and "Duchesse d'Angouleme"; fruit large, skin yellow, tinted with brown on the sunny side; flesh white, fine grained, tender, buttery, with a rich, sweet and delicious flavour; medium.

Directeur Varenne—Large, or very large, form and colour of Easter Beurre, flesh extra fine, juicy, and of agreeable flavour; late.

Dorset—Large, beautiful fruit; skin golden yellow, crimson on the sunny side; flesh juicy, sugary, melting, and of first-class quality; late.

Doyenne Bussoch—Melting and juicy, first-class; medium.

„ **du Comice**—Large, rich, and melting; medium.

„ **d'Ete**—Small, juicy, and richly flavoured; early.

Dr. Nelis—A small pear of first-class quality; medium.

Duchess d'Angouleme—Large, buttery, sometimes melting, fine flavour, in some places coarse grained; late.

Elizabeth Cole—Flesh very tender, buttery, melting, rich, and of honeyed sweetness; late.

PEARS (CONTINUED).

Elizabeth Sophia—Medium size, short pyramidal, yellow and rich; medium.

Eyewood—A medium-sized pear; good bearer, suited for export; medium.

Fertility ("Rivers")—Ripens same time as "Louise Bonne of Jersey;" large fruit of brilliant colour and high flavour. This tree is a vigorous and healthy grower, and most valuable for market. It has never failed to produce a crop, and cannot be recommended too highly.

Flemish Beauty—A splendid dessert pear; medium.

Fondante d' Automne—Large, a delicious melting pear; forms a compact ornamental pyramid on the quince; equally good on the pear stock as an orchard standard; medium.

Forelle—Medium size, lemon yellow and red on sunny side, melting, rich, sugary, and vinous flavour; late.

Gansell's Bergamot—One of the finest dessert pears; medium.

Gibling's Seedling—A favourite pear in Tasmania.

Glou Morceau—Large obovate; skin yellow; flesh buttery, melting, and very juicy; of best dessert quality.

Howell—Fruit large, light waxen yellow, heavy bearer, following "Williams' Bon Chretien," a first-class market pear, and should be largely grown.

Huyshe's Prince Consort—A large pear of superior excellence, with a distinct flavour unlike any other pear; late.

Idaho—Large globular yellow, fine grained, buttery, and melting; late.

Japanese Golden Russet—A cooking pear, remarkable for early bearing; late.

Jargonelle—A well-known early pear.

Josephine des Malines—A most delicious pear, also one of the longest keeping sorts; late.

Keiffer's Hybrid—A very hardy and prolific variety, with a distinct pineapple flavour; late.

Knight's Bartlett—This is supposed to be a sport from Williams' Bon Chretien, which it resembles in every way for size and flavour, but instead of being only yellow, this is very highly coloured with red on the sunny side.

Koonce—Tree is a vigorous grower and heavy bearer. The very best early pear, and of great market value. Fruit golden yellow, with beautiful red cheek; does not rot at the core.

Krull—A late keeping variety, skin thick and strong, flesh firm until fully ripe, when it becomes melting, rich, and sweet.

Lady Clapp—Very large, beautiful fruit; skin pale yellow; flesh very juicy, sweet, vinous, first quality; ripens middle of March.

PEARS (CONTINUED).

Lawson—A dessert pear; crimson on bright yellow ground; juicy, pleasant, a good keeper and shipper; the largest early pear.

Le Comte—A variety of the "Sand," after the style of "Keiffer's Hybrid."

L'Inconnue—Medium size; a delicious late pear and heavy bearer.

Le Lectier—A grand new pear which originated at Orleans (France), the result of a cross between "Williams' Bon Chretien" and "Bergamotte Fortune." Tall, erect, well-shaped and vigorous, and regular bearer. Flesh fine, melting, very juicy, highly perfumed, without granulations. This variety is one of the very best of its season. Ripe end of April.

Louise Bonne of Jersey—Melting, very juicy and delicious; medium.

Madame Cole—A splendid late dessert variety.

Madame Lang—Fruit of medium size, roundish, obovate; skin smooth greenish yellow, covered with russet dots; flesh white, buttery, melting, sweet, and with a strong musky aroma. This is a seedling from "Josephine des Malines," and a prolific bearer.

Marie Louise—One of the best dessert; medium.

Monchallard—Large, bright yellow, shaded with red on the side next the sun; tender, melting, and very juicy; a first-class pear; early.

Mount Vernon—Large, nearly globular; colour rich cinnamon russet; flesh juicy, melting, with a spicy vinous flavour which is peculiar and distinct from that of any other known sort; tree is a vigorous grower, and comes into bearing early; late.

Parrot—A Bergamot of brilliant colour, flesh melting and very good; hardy, an abundant bearer; good either for the garden or market; medium.

P. Barry—Large, pyriform; skin orange yellow; flesh very juicy, buttery, fine, excellent flavour, and a long keeper. The raiser states that he has exhibited this variety in May (France); very late.

Pitmaston Duchess—A very handsome pear, of finest quality; medium.

Red October—A very superior variety of "Beurre de Capiaumont;" bright brown, tinged with orange red; flesh delicate, smooth, and rich; an abundant bearer.

Seckle—A small pear, sweet and rich; medium.

Senateur Belle—A seedling of "Easter Beurre." Very large and nice fruit; skin smooth, golden yellow; flesh fine, yellow, juicy, and highly perfumed; much recommended; late.

Seneca—A pear of fine quality; skin clear yellow, with a bright red cheek on one side; flesh juicy, melting, vinous. Ripens after "Williams' Bon Chretien."

PEARS (CONTINUED).

Souvenir de President Carnot—A new French pear; fruit large and handsome; flesh very fine, juicy, and of delicious flavour. In season during March and April.

Souvenir de Jules Guindon—A seedling of "Easter Beurre," very large fruit; skin smooth, clear green, turning yellow a long time before ripening; flesh fine, rich, juicy, and highly perfumed; late.

Triomphe de Jodoigne—Fruit large, regular, and handsome; late.

Uvedale's St. Germain—Very large, a fine stewing pear; late.

Vermont Beauty—A beautiful new seedling pear; medium sized, roundish, skin yellow, nearly covered with carmine; flesh melting, sprightly and good; tree hardy, healthy, and very productive; a very handsome pear of great excellence.

Vicar of Winkfield—Large, melting, and very juicy; a very heavy bearer, and a good market pear; late.

Victor Hugo—A grand new pear, which ripens in March; fruit large, pyriform, and exceedingly showy; flesh tender, melting, juicy, and richly flavoured; the tree is remarkable for its robust, hardy, and symmetrical growth. One of the best varieties of recent introduction.

Wilder—One of the earliest; good keeper and shipper; tree very vigorous; fruit medium, bell-shaped, pale yellow, with deep shading of brownish carmine; flesh whitish yellow, fine grained, tender; flavour sub-acid, sprightly, of good quality; very productive, probably the best early market pear.

Williams' Bon Chretien—Large, buttery, and melting; one of the finest summer pears grown; early.

Winter Bartlett—This fine pear originated in Eugene, Oregon. Fruit large, closely resembling the famous Bartlett in shape and appearance, but ripening four months later; flesh not quite as fine-grained as the Bartlett, but tender, juicy, and melting, and with a flavour almost identical with Bartlett. Undoubtedly one of the best pears of recent introduction; late.

Winter Cole—Melting, juicy, rich, and of exquisite flavour; a first-class pear; late.

Winter Nelis—One of the finest flavoured late dessert pears.

PEARS ON QUINCE STOCKS.

Price—12/- per doz.; 75/- per 100.

Beurre de Capiaumont
Clapp's Favourite
Howell
Josephine des Malines
Vicar of Winkfield
Wilder
William's Bon Chretien
Winter Cole

NEW PEARS.

Price—2/- each; 18/- per doz.; £5 per 100.

Alama—A new pear (imp. from America), of first-class quality, good grower and heavy bearer; early.

Charles Cognee—A first-class late pear, recommended by the Pomological Society of France.

Directeur Hardy—This is one of the handsomest pears I know; a great and early cropper, and of excellent quality; medium.

Duchesse d' Afrique—An enormously large pear of good keeping quality. Tree so far appears to be dwarf, growing with very short thick wood.

Fame—A new pear from United States, where it has the reputation of being extremely hardy, and a constant cropper; fruit is of largest size, fine russety brown; is often quite seedless, and when stored is very juicy, melting and rich.

Garber's Hybrid—An enormous, productive, and early bearer; orange yellow, larger than Keiffer's, better in quality, and four weeks earlier.

Madame Baltet—A handsome golden yellow fruit of excellent quality; flesh fine, melting, very juicy, with a rich and delicious flavour; tree exceedingly hardy and productive.

Magnate—Fruit very large, pyriform; skin yellow and dark crimson, and brown streaked where exposed to the sun, very handsome; flesh yellow, melting, and juicy; medium.

Marguerite Marillat—Fruit large, very showy, with sugary, aromatic, and very luscious flavour; handsome in colour and shape, and one of the finest of its season; early.

Marquis—Flesh firm, melting, and very rich. The fruit has kept unchanged in quality for nearly three months; medium size; late.

Packham's Triumph—Raised by Mr. Packham, of Molong, N.S.W. This is the finest pear I ever saw. It is of beautiful shape, large, and of the most perfect flavour, a good grower, early and prolific bearer; ripe in April. Has received first prize every time it has been exhibited.

President Barabe—Medium, an excellent melting pear; hardy, and a great cropper.

Princess—A large handsome pear; a seedling from Louise Bonne of Jersey; flesh melting, flavour very good; in size and colour it resembles the parent; late.

St. Swithin's—Fruit small, good to very good, a most prolific bearer; very early.

PLUMS.

Price—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100; £30 per 1000.

Admiral—Fruit closely resembles "Monarch," somewhat later; the tree has, however, quite a different habit, a close grower, forming abundant spurs, bears profusely; a most valuable late kitchen and market plum.

Angelina Burdett—Juicy, rich, and highly flavoured, purple; early.

Autumn Compote—A fine preserving plum; medium.

Belle de Septembre—A fine large culinary plum; late.

Blue Rock—Raised by Mr. Rivers, England. Large and very rich; one of the very best early dessert plums.

Brahy's Greengage—This is a very fine large greengage plum; late.

Bryanston Gage—Pale yellow, juicy, and sweet; medium.

Clyman—Dark purple, firm, and of delicious flavour. The principal merit of this variety lies in its earliness, which makes it profitable for market purposes long before other plums of this class.

Coe's Golden Drop—A splendid variety, large yellow; medium.

„ **Late Red**—Valued on account of its lateness; very late.

Damson, American—Small purple, juicy, sweet; early.

„ **Cole's Superior**—One of the best; late.

„ **Crittenden's**—Large, free bearer; late.

„ **French**—A small black plum, useful for preserving; late.

„ **King of the Damsons**—Very prolific and large, one of the best; medium.

„ **Rivers' Early**—A seedling from "St. Etienne" plum, a charming addition to damsons. Award of merit Royal Horticultural Society, England.

„ **Shropshire**—The best for jam; medium.

Decaisne—Large oval yellow; a rich dessert plum.

De Montford—A beautifully flavoured plum of the finest quality; early.

Diamond—Very large dark purple, splendid for preserving, and a heavy bearer; medium.

Duke of Edinburgh—A beautiful large red plum; medium.

Early Orleans—A fine early cooking plum.

Emerald—This plum originated here, and is evidently a seedling of "Yellow Magnum Bonum," which it resembles, but is a much freer grower and heavy regular bearer. It is one of the very best for jam or canning, much superior to its supposed parent; late.

Evans' Early—Medium black, covered with bright blue bloom; the earliest plum grown.

PLUMS (CONTINUED).

Golden Transparent—Fruit large, bright golden when ripe; a most delicious late plum; first class certificate Royal Horticultural Society, England.

Goliath—A showy and good preserving plum; medium.

Grand Duke—Very large purple, richly flavoured, very productive; considered the best late plum grown.

Grantville Seedling.

Greengage—A well known delicious plum; medium.

Hill End—A large purple plum, much recommended by our friend the late Mr. Neilson.

Huling's Superb—Fruit very large, roundish oval, greenish yellow, with a rich, brisk, sprightly flavour; medium.

Ickworth Imperatrice—Medium size, purple, firm, rich, and juicy; a good drying variety.

Jefferson—Large golden yellow, juicy and highly flavoured, one of the best; medium.

Kirk's—Large black, a very fine variety; medium.

Large Black Imperial—Very large, an excellent cooking plum, dark purple; medium.

Late Black Orleans—Reddish purple, good quality, and a great bearer; late.

Late Orange—Skin bright orange, covered with a heavy bloom, very rich and good.

Late Rivers—Below medium size, round, dark purple, almost black, juicy, rich and good; the latest good plum.

Late Transparent—Fruit large, round, greenish yellow, changing to purple according to exposure to sun; flesh firm, juicy, and fully equal to the "Greengage"; stone very small. This is a very fine addition to the class of the "Transparent Gage," as it completes the season, ripening fully ten days after the "Transparent Gage." Tree of dwarf habit, and an abundant bearer.

Lincoln—Very large; of reddish-purple colour, peculiarly attractive, quality best; tree very productive.

Lombard—Medium size, violet red, first class for preserves or dessert. This plum is said to take the lead for productiveness.

Magnum Bonum Red—A large red culinary plum.

Magnum Bonum Yellow—One of the best culinary plums, and a heavy and regular bearer; large yellow; late.

McLaughlin—A large delicious plum of the Greengage race, makes an excellent sweetmeat when dried.

Mirabelle—Oval, yellow, small, abundant bearer, and highly esteemed for preserving; the tree forms a beautiful pyramid; early.

PLUMS (CONTINUED).

Monarch—Fruit very large; roundish oval; dark purplish blue; freestone; of excellent quality. Tree robust, and abundant bearer, trees three years from the graft bearing large crops of fine plums. A most valuable late market plum.

October Greengage—A first-class plum, regular and heavy bearer; late.

Oullin's Golden Gage—Rich yellow, first-class dessert.

Peach—Bright red, a fine dessert variety; early.

Pershore—Medium size; obovate; golden yellow. A well-known preserving plum.

Pissardii—Small fruit of little value; foliage crimson purple, giving it a striking appearance as an ornamental tree.

Pond's Seedling—Large red, a good bearer, a first-class market plum; late.

President—Very large, oval, deep purple, with a blue bloom, sweet and rich, freestone, an abundant bearer; late; first-class certificate Royal Horticultural Society, England.

Prince Engelbert—A fine large purple plum, good as dessert or cooking; medium.

Princess Alexandra—A large red plum; medium.

Prune, Bulgarian—Medium size, dark purple, sweet, and valuable for drying.

„ **d'Agen**—As sent out by the Royal Agricultural Society, Victoria, an early plum, similar to Angelina Burdett, and preferred by many planters.

„ **d'Agen** (French Prune)—A later variety, does well about Adelaide and in most of the hot climates when irrigated. In dry places it is very liable to drop its fruit.

„ **d'Ente**—A Californian variety.

„ **German**—A most valuable drying plum; medium.

„ **Giant**—This plum, although not a first-class prune, is a first-class market fruit, being similar to Pond's Seedling; a constant and heavy bearer.

„ **Golden**—Fruit very large, light golden colour, exquisite flavour, dries beautifully; when dried 24 are said to weigh 1lb. A strong grower and abundant bearer; one of the finest canning fruits known.

„ **Italian** (Fellemberg)—One of the best drying plums; medium.

„ **Mirabelle von Flotows**—A very large oval plum, somewhat resembling "Coe's Golden Drop," to which it is equal in flavour, but is fit for use much earlier.

„ **Pacific**—Large size, dark purple, good bearer; tree very sturdy, robust grower; a first-class prune.

PLUMS (CONTINUED).

Prune, Pearl—White, semi-transparent, with a heavy white bloom; flavour is of honied sweetness.

„ **Silver**—This plum is said to be a seedling from "Coe's Golden Drop," but larger and more productive, and to be the best canning variety.

„ **Splendour**—Another magnificent prune raised from a seed of the "Prune d'Agen." The trees are perfection in growth and productiveness. As a combined drying, shipping, market, and table variety it has no rival. It is a perfect freestone, and ripens two weeks earlier than the "French Prune."

„ **Sugar**—This new prune is described as far superior to the "French Prune"; tree in every respect a better grower, and will carry and mature a larger crop of fruit. The fruit is even in size and very large, averaging thirteen to fifteen to the pound. This variety is being planted in California by the thousand—a sufficient guarantee of its value.

„ **Tennent**—Large, dark purple, parts freely from the stone, exceedingly rich, dries well.

„ **Tragedy**—Very large, purple; this is one of the finest early plums ever introduced, being as large as a "Diamond Plum," and ripening just before "Rivers' Early Prolific"; fruit sweet, and a first-class dessert variety. Should prove the best early market plum.

Purple Gage—One of the best dessert plums; medium.

Red Cherry—A well-known early plum.

Reine Claude de Bavay—A most exquisite dessert plum of the Greengage type; late.

Reine Victoria—Very juicy, rich and agreeable, purple; late.

Rivers' Early Prolific—A medium-sized plum, very prolific; early.

Sultan—A culinary plum of great excellence, dark purple; early.

Superb—Large, round, purple plum of excellent flavour, a heavy and constant bearer, cannot be excelled for either dessert or culinary use.

The Czar—A large purple variety, very rich, an abundant bearer; a most valuable early market plum.

Washington—Large, roundish yellow, one of the best; medium.

Wilson's Yellow—Medium size, yellow, good bearer, and carries well; a seedling raised by Mr. F. Wilson, Doncaster.

Yellow Cherry—A well-known early plum.

Yellow Diamond—A sport of the "Diamond" plum, originated with W. A. Shepherd,of Somerville; instead of dark purple, it is of a clear yellow colour.

Yellow Gage—A dessert plum of second-rate quality; medium.

JAPANESE PLUMS.

Price—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100; £30 per 1000.

This is a unique class of plum, of great beauty and productiveness. The fruit is exquisitely perfumed, and with a charming attractive bloom. The trees are exceedingly ornamental, and quite distinct from other varieties. The flesh is so firm and meaty that they can be safely shipped long distances, and kept in excellent condition. They are early prolific bearers, and well worthy of trial by the fruit growers.

Admiral Togo—Fruit round and handsome, skin bright crimson; flesh solid, yellow, rich and juicy. Tree vigorous grower and prolific bearer. Ripe just after the cherry plum. A splendid shipper and valuable market variety.

Akarana—A new early plum, raised by Mr. J. F. Smith; a chance seedling which resembles "Botan." The tree is a most vigorous grower. The fruit ripens with the cherry plum, is of largest size, very firm in flesh, and will prove of exceptional value for the early markets.

America (Hybrid Plum)—Growth resembles the American plums, and is less robust than the Japanese; exceedingly prolific; fruit is of large size, colour glossy coral red, flesh yellow, moderately firm, and delicious.

Bartlett—One of the best of Burbank's recent introductions. Said to be wonderfully productive; a very ornamental tree with glossy green leaves. Fruit oval, yellow, turning to deep crimson when fully ripe; flesh light salmon coloured, firm and juicy; ripens before Burbank.

Botan or Abundance—Very large, showy, and beautiful; amber, turning to rich bright cherry colour, with a white bloom; flesh yellow, juicy, tender, and of delicious sweetness impossible to describe; very early.

Burbank—Large size, nearly globular in shape; colour clear cherry red, with a thin lilac bloom; flesh deep yellow, very sweet, with a peculiar and agreeable flavour; strong grower and a most wonderful bearer.

Chabot—This variety bears very young, is a strong grower and very prolific; fruit greenish purple, with orange-yellow flesh, and very solid; good for drying.

Chalco—The fruit, which ripens just before "Burbank," is large, flat like a tomato, deep reddish purple, with very sweet, somewhat firm, exceedingly fragrant yellow flesh, pit or stone small.

Climax—The fruit is heart-shaped, as large as "Wickson" and more highly coloured; delicious, and, above all, ripens extremely early, before any other good plum, and nearly a month before "Wickson."

JAPANESE PLUMS (CONTINUED).

Combination—Raised by Luther Burbank, who describes it as a Japanese plum. The trees are unusually hardy; the bark, leaves, and fruit are all unique; early, regular, and abundant bearer of large, handsome, globular fruit of uniform size; flesh straw colour, extremely sweet, with a pronounced pine-apple flavour; stone small.

Early Yellow—Another of Mr. Luther Burbank's productions. Tree is an upright symmetrical grower, and extremely vigorous; fruit round, bright yellow, of most handsome appearance, even size, and splendid quality.

Federation—Raised by R. H. Wright, Auckland, N.Z.—A cross between "Burbank" and "Wickson." The fruit, in size, shape, and colour, resembles the "Wickson," and in growth the tree is like an upright-growing "Burbank." It is quite as productive as "Burbank." Ripe second week in February.

First—Another new hybrid plum, of which Luther Burbank says: "It is the earliest of all plums." The fruit is of medium size, pale amber, faint blush on the sunny side, half transparent; flesh same colour, moderately firm, sweet, juicy, and good, especially when just at the right stage of ripeness; tree of medium growth.

General Saigo—This variety somewhat resembles the apricot, being very distinct, fine, and productive.

Gold—This plum is a cross between the best American native plum and the Japanese, and said to be the best of its kind. Mr. Burbank writes:—"The 'Gold' tree always carries as much as it can hold of its handsome, luscious, golden globes."

Golden Heart—Fruit large, of a beautiful golden yellow; flesh sweet, tree vigorous, one of the best.

Hale—Fruit large, bright orange mottled with cherry red, superb in quality.

Hattonkio No. 1—A beautiful large yellow plum, firm and juicy, with a rich sugary flavour; ripe early in February.

Hatonkio No. 2—Medium size, yellow, changing to red when fully ripe; an enormous bearer; early.

Hay's Seedling—Tree hardy and a good grower; fruit round, skin dark purple, flesh yellow, firm, rich, juicy, and of exquisite flavour; ripens a week after "Burbank."

Juicy—A hybrid plum; the fruit is of medium size and perfect shape, skin thin and transparent, light yellow overlaid with scarlet. The tree is a hardy and luxuriant grower, with dwarfish habit.

Kelsey—The fruit is very large, with a remarkably small stone. It is of excellent quality, melting, rich and juicy. As a dried fruit it is equal to, if not surpassing, the best dried prunes. Colour yellow, covered with red on the sunny side; late.

JAPANESE PLUMS (CONTINUED).

King Cole—Fruit of largest size, quite round; skin a fine clear carmine, flesh yellowish, with a fine vinous flavour; a very early variety, ripening ten days after "Abundance," and exceeding it in size.

Lord Kitchener—This was recommended to us by Messrs. C. H. Gibbons and Co., of Wellington, N.Z., as a first-class variety.

Masu—Very prolific; fruit as large as "Botan," but later.

Maynard—Raised by Luther Burbank, and pronounced by Professor Maynard as the best plum, all things considered, of its class. In size it is very large, nearly round, slightly flattened at the end; of richest crimson purple; the flesh is firm, even, melting, and juicy, with a deliciousness indescribable, very fragrant; early.

Mikado.

Nangate Red—A large, rich, and delicious variety.

Nikko—Raised by Luther Burbank. Very highly spoken of by the raiser.

October Purple—Another of Mr. Burbank's seedlings. It is a very large, purple, heart-shaped plum, with no splashes of lighter colour; flesh amber yellow, red beneath the skin, very juicy, but yet firm, sweet and of most delicious flavour; clingstone.

Ogan—A delicious plum, said to be one of the best; a good grower and very prolific.

Okti Smomo—Medium to large; red, with a fine bloom; flesh yellow, very juicy and rich, of good flavour, and a heavy cropper.

Red Heart—A large red fruit, very prolific; a very fine plum for preserving; late.

Red June—The fruit is of large size and a beautiful fiery red colour; flesh firm and fair quality. The tree is very handsome, hardy, and a rapid grower.

Satsuma or Blood Plum—Large and almost globular; the colour is dark red from skin to stone; flesh firm, juicy, and of a rich spicy flavour; a first-class variety.

Sultan—Large size, oval, deep purplish crimson. The flesh is reremarkably firm, solid, sweet, and dark crimson in colour, beautifully clouded and shaded with light pink, salmon, and yellow; a cross between "Wickson" and "Satsuma."

Universal No. 2—A very early variety.

Wickson—The fruit from the time it is half-grown until a few days before ripening is of a pearly white colour, but all at once a soft pink shading creeps over it, and in a few days it has changed to a glowing carmine, with a heavy white bloom; the stone is very small, and the flesh is of a fine texture, firm, sugary, and delicious; one of the best.

JAPANESE PLUMS (CONTINUED)-

Wright's Early—Raised by Mr. H. Wright, of New Zealand. The fruit is identical with the well-known "Burbank," the only difference being the season of ripening, and habit of growth being more erect, which is a point in its favour; it is without exception the earliest known variety.

Yellow Gage—Very heavy bearer.

„ **Japan**—Large and excellent.

JAPANESE PERSIMMONS.

Price—24/- per doz.

These are all of our own growing, and being well rooted should do much better than those imported from Japan.

The fruit of the Persimmon, when ripe, is of a deep reddish orange colour, in shape that of an orange, and some egg-shaped. The flavour, when perfectly ripe, is most luscious. It is best kept in a close jar after being picked, and is then most delicious. They ripen their fruit during winter, and in consequence furnish a valuable fruit for the table at a season when fruit is scarce.

Among—Fruit medium size, roundish; skin light orange; flesh brownish. An early variety which is edible from the tree.

Apple-Shaped—Medium size, ripens well on the tree.

Dai Dai Maru—Very large, square or four-sided, deep orange, almost seedless; early.

Denji Maru—Medium size, dark flesh, eatable from tree.

Flat Ribbed—Often seedless, a heavy cropper and strong grower.

Gibio Shin—This is said to be one of the best introduced, and is much in the way of "Nightingale's Seedless," but ripens later. It is very large and conical, flesh slightly dark, seedless.

Haycheya (Red Seedless)—Very large, oblong, and a heavy cropper.

Hyakumo—Very large, oblong; early.

Jubilee—A very fine variety, raised in New South Wales; large, square-shaped, picked when ripening and stored; late.

Kurokumo—Medium sized, almost round, good flavour, can be eaten off the tree.

Myodina.

Nina—

Nitari—Beautiful coloured, flat, square-shaped fruit, somewhat similar to "Dai Dai Maru."

Onshiu.

JAPANESE PERSIMMONS (CONTINUED).

Sago Maru.

Seedless—Large fruited, very fine.

Tanenachi (Yellow Seedless)—Fruit of the largest size, conical, bright yellow with yellow flesh; a first-class variety.

Tsuro Gaki—Good-sized conical fruit, dark red, ripening late, delicious flavour.

Tsuro Magari—Tree vigorous and abundant bearer, peculiar shaped fruit, very richly flavoured, and may be eaten from the tree.

Williams' Seedless—Round, flat, medium; a very heavy cropper when in bearing state, does not bear in a young state; wood upright; early.

Yeddo-Ischi—Fruit medium size, roundish, skin light yellow. A late variety, and perhaps the best if allowed to become soft.

Yemon—Large, round, rather flattened, seedless; one of the very best; can be eaten off the tree.

Zenji-Maru—Fruit small, round, skin deep orange; flesh brownish. May be eaten from the tree.

QUINCES.

Price—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100; £30 per 1000.

Angers—A dwarf-growing variety.

Apple—Medium size, very prolific.

Bourgeat—A new variety from U.S.A., described as one of the finest quinces ever offered; one of the best quality; tender; ripens just after the "Orange," and keeps till past midwinter. The fruit is very large, rich golden colour, smooth velvety skin, and has so far proved to be free from leaf-blight.

Champion—Fruit very large, smooth, handsome, and regularly formed; tree very productive, bearing abundantly when quite young; early.

Fuller—Regular bearer, strong grower; the fruit ripens early, is of the largest size, pyriform in shape, a clear bright lemon-yellow colour, highly flavoured and tender.

Hertfordshire.

Hong Kong—An extraordinary fruit of immense size, often weighing over 2lb.; foliage distinct, changing to red in the autumn, flowers red; of no commercial value as a fruit.

Master's Early—A very fine early variety.

QUINCES (CONTINUED).

Meeche's Prolific—Large, with smooth, fine skin of orange-yellow; flesh fragrant, delicious, tender, and unsurpassed for cooking; ripens just after "Champion."

Missouri Mammoth—The fruit grows to enormous size, with smooth skin and even outline, quite free from undulations about the eye; of a mild, pleasant flavour, and unsurpassed for cooking. The tree is a luxuriant grower, and bears enormously; a first-class variety.

Pear-shaped—Very large; medium size.

Pineapple—Fruit medium size; clear golden yellow; makes a superior jelly, and is said to cook as tender in five minutes as the best cooking apple, possessing a most exquisite and delicious flavour.

Portugal—A very large late quince.

Rea's Mammoth—Very large, early, and fine colour.

Smyrna—The tree is a rapid, strong grower, and immensely prolific; commences to bear the second year from the bud; the fruit is very large and of a lovely yellow-lemon colour, presenting a fine appearance. The flesh when cooked is very tender, having a delicious flavour. The fruit ripens in April, and will keep for a long time.

Van Deman—Seedling of "Portugal." The fruit is of most superb flavour, texture and quality for all purposes that quinces are used; it is said to be the best of all, and a very heavy and early bearer. It received the Wilder Medal at a meeting of the American Pomological Society in October, 1891.

NEW QUINCES.

Price—2/- each; 18/- per doz.

Bereckzi—Recommended as a fruit of enormous size; flesh sweet, skin glossy golden yellow, smooth; very prolific even on young trees.

De Vranja—New introduction from Servia, recommended for its prolific qualities; fruit enormous, weighing nearly 3lb; very agreeable flavour.

Giant of Lescovaz—A new quince imported from France, the fruits often attaining up to 3½lb.; flesh white, does not turn red when cooked; tree very prolific.

Zucker (Sugar)—Introduced from Asia, fruit very sweet, excellent when preserved.

FIGS.

Price—1/6 each; 15/- per doz.

Adam
Black Bourjasotte
Black Ischia
Black Provence
Brown Ischia
Brown Turkey
Brunswick
Castle Kennedy
Doree
Grosse Verte
La Royale
Large Black Genoa
Marseillaise
Smyrna
St. Dominique Voilette
White Adriatic
White Genoa
White Ischia
White Pacific
White Provence

ORANGES, LEMONS, ETC.

Price—2/6 each; 24/- per doz.

Blood or Maltese—Fruit medium size, flattened; skin deep red, filled with an abundance of deep red juice; a good grower, and ripens early.

Homossassa—Medium size, bright colour, skin smooth, sweet and juicy; keeps and carries well.

Jaffa—Fruit large, nearly seedless, oval, thick skin; tree thornless, with large green foliage; said to be a great bearer.

Joppa—Probably one of the best of the recent introductions from California; tree of strong growth, and very productive; fruit of nice size, and of the very best quality.

Mandarin, Beauty of Glen Retreat—For extreme beauty, high flavour and productiveness it is not surpassed by any other variety, and cannot be too highly recommended.

Mandarin, Canton—Fruit medium sized, quite flat, skin pale yellow; abounding in juice of a rich, high flavour; a strong upright grower and very prolific.

Mandarin, Emperor—The largest of the "Mandarins"; skin almost red, and loosely attached; flesh very juicy, but not so highly flavoured as "Thorny Mandarin"; the most profitable for market.

Mandarin, Thorny—Fruit medium size, quite flat; flesh very juicy; the best flavoured of all the "Mandarins," and an immense bearer.

ORANGES, LEMONS, Etc. (continued).

Mediterranean Sweet—Remarkable for its early bearing and late ripening; splendid flavour; one of the most esteemed in California.

Oonshi—New seedless orange from Japan; a very hardy tree, said to stand frost well; pendulous habit, no seeds; flesh firm, thin skin; midway between an orange and a mandarin in size. This orange has fruited here, it is a heavy bearer, and is the only one that is really good in cool districts; highly recommended.

Paper Rind St. Michael—A very highly-esteemed fruit in the Californian market; fruit middle size, of a deep yellow colour; tree vigorous grower.

Parramatta—Fruit large size, round, skin deep yellow, flesh very juicy, and when trees attain age fruit is of splendid quality; perhaps the best for market from its hardiness and productiveness.

Seville—Fruit large size, roundish, rather flattened, very solid; the best variety for marmalade.

Siletta—Fruit large size, flattened; skin pale yellow, very smooth and thin; abounding in juice; hardy and an enormous bearer.

St. Michael—Fruit of largest size; skin deep yellow, smooth and thin; very juicy, but few seeds; hardy, and most profitable market variety.

Teneriffe—Large size, very thin skin and weighty, light yellow colour; sweet and richly flavoured; the earliest of all oranges to ripen, and considered to be one of the most valuable for export.

The Queen—Large, round; skin thin and deeply coloured; splendid flavour and good cropper; a first-class variety.

Valencia Late—Large, oblong, and firm. This orange is very late in ripening, and valuable on that account, as it would be marketable when other varieties are done.

Washington Navel—This is in all respects equal or superior to the "Bahia Navel," but unlike that variety it is a good cropper; in California considered to be the best of all oranges. We have seen quite small trees of this variety in Sydney loaded with most beautiful fruit.

Lemon, Eureka—Very like the "Lisbon," but trees almost thornless.

Lemon, Genoa—Very large fruit, without thorns, good grower.

Lemon, Heong Leong—Fruit of large size but coarse, full of juice, and not equal to "Lisbon" in flavour.

Lemon, Lisbon—A well-known variety, and probably the best of all.

Lemon, Lisbon Thornless—Fruit larger than "Lisbon," and a little coarser; tree a spreading and vigorous grower.

ORANGES, LEMONS, ETC. (CONTINUED).

Lemon, Lisbon Variegata—Leaves beautifully variegated; fruit small, similar to "Lisbon," but inferior.

Lemon, Villa Franca—Claimed to be chiefly a summer-bearing lemon, and on that account very valuable. It is a strong, vigorous grower, with few thorns; fruit oblong, thin skinned and firm, adjudged by the Americans to be the best shipping variety.

Lime, East Indian—Large and prolific.

Lime, Persian or Sweet—Hardy, and of pleasant flavour.

Lime, Tahitian—A strong grower and heavy cropper; fruit nearly the size of a "Lisbon Lemon"; exceedingly thin rind; juicy and nearly seedless; for hot districts considered superior to the lemon; cannot be too highly recommended.

Lime, West Indian—Small and excellent; best for limejuice.

Citron, Bengal—Fruit very large, round, and useful for preserving.

Citron, Knight's—Fruit large, oblong, thick-skinned, sweet, good for candied peel.

Citron, Common—Fruit long pointed.

Citron, Lyman—Fruit said to be superior to varieties grown before in these colonies, the rind being sweet and edible when ripe, making a most delicious conserve.

Shaddock, Blood—Very large, sweet juice, excellent for preserving.

Shaddock, Common—Very large fruit, of highly acid juice.

Shaddock, Java—Fruit very large, sour juice.

MEDLARS.

Common—Each 1/6
Dutch—Each 2/-
Large Fruited—Each 2/-
Monstrous—Each 2/-
Nottingham—Each 2/-
Royal—Each 2/-

MULBERRIES.

Black, English—A well-known variety; the best of all. 24/- per doz.

Downing's Ever-bearing—Fruit very large, measuring 1½ inches long, very juicy, with an agreeable flavour; ripens its fruit gradually during several weeks; an enormous cropper. 2/6 each.

MULBERRIES (CONTINUED).

Hick's Ever-bearing—Produces its fruit continuously during three months; fruit of large size, very juicy, with a fine acidulous flavour. 2/6 each.

White—The leaves of this are used for feeding silkworms. 12/- per dozen.

GRAPE VINES.

Price—6/- per doz.

Black Frontignan
Black Hamburg
Black Malaga
Black Muscat
Black Prince
Black St. Peter's
Buckland's Sweetwater
Centennial
Crystal
Daira (Almeria)
Doradilla
Duchess of Buccleugh
Duke of Buccleugh
Golden Champion
Golden Chasselas
Grank Turk
Green's Early
Gros Colmar
Lady's Finger
Lady Down's Seedling
Madresfield Court Black Muscat
Malaga Muscatel
Mrs. Prince's Black Muscat
Muscat of Alexandria
Muscat Gordo Blanco
Muscat Hamburg
Raisin des Dames
Red Frontignan
Red Malaga
Red Prince
Royal Ascot
Royal Muscadine
Sultana
Sweetwater
Temperano
Waltham Cross
White Morillion
Zante Currant

A limited number of the following varieties may be had on the **Phylloxera Proof Stock** at 1/- each.

Black Hamburg
Black Prince
Muscat Gordo Blanco

GOOSEBERRIES OF SORTS.

Price—4/- to 6/- per doz.; 25/- per 100.

THORNLESS GOOSEBERRIES.

Price—1/- each; 9/- per doz.

Belle de Meaux—Vigorous shrub with trailing branches; fruit medium size, oval-shaped, very dark red, nearly black, skin thin; flesh firm, juicy, and sugary.

Edouard Lefort—Very pretty and good fruit, 1¾ inch in length and 1¼ inch in diameter; skin smooth, glossy, vinous red; flesh sugary, firm; good traveller.

Madame Edouard Lefort—Very distinct variety; prolific, fruit large and very good, skin vinous red; flesh very firm, sugary, and agreeable flavour.

Souvenir de Billard—Vigorous shrub, an excessive bearer, skin dark rose or red; flesh juicy, firm, sugary, sub-acid.

CURRANTS.

Price—4/- to 6/- per doz.

Bertyn's No. 9 (red)
Bertyn's No. 31
Black Grape
Black Naples
Boskopp Giant Black (new) 1/- each.
Carter's Black Champion
Chenanceau (red)
Dunnett's Champion (black)
Eddy's Seedling (red)
Fay's Prolific (red)
Fertile de Angers (red)
Laing's Mammoth (red)
La Versailles (red)
Lee's Prolific (black)
North Star
Red Cherry
Red Imperial
White Dutch
White Imperial
White La Versailles
Wilmot's White

NUTS AND FILBERTS.

Price—1/6 each.

Cosford
Kentish Cob
Purple Leaved, 2/- each
Red Filbert
Webb's Prize Cobb
Webb's Prize Daviana
„ „ Exhibition
„ „ Red Skinned
„ „ White Skinned

WALNUTS.

Black (*Juglans Nigra*). 2/- each, 18/- per dozen.

Chaberte. 2/- each, 18/- per dozen.

Common—A well-known variety. Per dozen, 12/- to 18/-

Dwarf Prolific—This is a very fine variety, fruiting much earlier than the "Common." Per dozen, 18/- to 24/-

Franquette. 2/- each, 18/- per dozen.

Japanese (*Juglans Sieboldi*)—A hard-shelled nut, good flavour, and heavy bearer; this is a very beautiful ornamental tree. 2/- each, or 18/- per dozen.

Japanese (*Juglans Sieboldi Cordiformis*)—Similar to above, but nut much harder and heart-shaped. 2/- each, 18/- per dozen.

Mayette. 2/- each, 18/- per dozen.

Parisienne. 2/- each, 18/- per dozen.

Pecan Nut—This is largely grown in America, and comes into bearing in from eight to ten years from seeds; it bears regular and heavy crops. Nuts long, thin-shelled; flesh oily and of fine flavour. Price, 2/- each, 18/- per dozen.

SPANISH CHESTNUTS.

Common—Per dozen, 18/- to 24/-

Japanese—Very large fruit, tree strong and rapid grower, very distinct. 2/- each, 18/- per dozen.

Paragon—Hardy, productive, large, and of excellent quality. 3/6 each.

Superb—Fruit fine, and an early bearer. 3/6 each.

RASPBERRIES.

All Summer—An ever-bearing variety. 2/- per dozen; 10/- per 100.

Amelioree Congy—Vigorous plant, branches attaining 6 to 8 feet, fruit red, larger than "Fastolf," of very good quality; autumn bearing. 6/- per dozen.

Belle de Fontenay—2/- per dozen; 10/- per 100.

Brinkle's Orange—2/- per dozen.

Carter's Prolific—2/- per dozen; 10/- per 100.

Cornwell's Yellow—2/- per dozen.

Cuthbert (Queen of the Market)—This variety is more largely grown for market purposes than any other red raspberry in America. It is a sturdy grower, and does not require tying or shaking. Fruit medium size, good flavour. 7/6 per 100.

RASPBERRIES (CONTINUED).

Everbearing of Feldbrunnen—Extraordinary fertility, fruiting all summer, very hardy and vigorous, fruit very large, dark red, very fine flavour. 6/- per dozen.

Fastolf—2/- per dozen ; 10/- per 100.

Golden Queen—A seedling from "Cuthbert," resembling that variety in hardiness and vigorous growth. A most abundant bearer, producing fruit of the largest size and delicious flavour ; colour beautiful yellow. 2/- per dozen.

Great American—A large red raspberry. 6/- per doz.

Imperial—A strong growing variety after the style of "Cuthbert" ; fruit large, red, and fine. 2/6 per dozen.

Northumberland Fillbasket—The best of all raspberries for all purposes ; fruit very large, and heavy bearer. 7/6 to 10/- per 100. Special quotation per 1000.

Northumberland Fillbasket, Thornless—This is exactly the same in fruit and foliage as "Northumberland Fillbasket," but the canes are entirely free from thorns, being perfectly smooth. 2/- per dozen, or 10/- per 100.

Red Antwerp—Common red raspberry. 2/- per dozen ; 10/- per 100.

Semper Fidelis—2/- per dozen ; 10/- per 100.

Superlative (Laxton)—This is an English-raised variety, and considered in that country to be one of the very best raspberries in cultivation. 3/6 per dozen.

Yellow Antwerp—2/- per dozen ; 10/- per 100.

BLACKBERRIES, ETC.

Child's—Has not a climbing but a bushy habit, attains 6 to 8 feet high; fruit sweet, of a nice yellow colour. 12/- per dozen.

Crandell's—This variety blooms all throughout the winter months, but so far we have not found the fruit of much use. 6/- per dozen.

Himalayan—A very strong grower, with very large fruit ; heavy bearer ; one of the best. 9/- per dozen.

Iceberg—Plant very prolific, stems strong and erect, fruit very large, white, transparent, of very good quality. 12/- per dozen.

Italian Cut-leaved—This variety has most beautiful foliage in the autumn, and very fair fruit. 6/- per dozen.

Lawton's—This is perhaps the best of all for market ; it grows more like a raspberry, the bearing cane dying each year. With plenty of moisture the fruit is very large, and an enormous cropper. 6/- per dozen, or 20/- per 100.

Lucretia Dewberry—A new trailing blackberry, bearing large luscious berries in the greatest profusion. 6/- per dozen.

BLACKBERRIES, ETC. (CONTINUED).

Mammoth—Raised by Judge J. H. Logan, of Santa Cruz, California, and rightly named "Mammoth" on account of the enormous size of its fruits. 6/- per dozen.

Maxwell's Early—Very early and very prolific sort, dwarf growth; fruit large, sweet, melting, excellent. 12/- per dozen.

Phenomenal Berry—A cross between "Improved California Dewberry" and the "Cuthbert" raspberry. Mr. Burbank describes it as larger than the largest berry ever before known; bright crimson raspberry colour; productive as could be desired, and the most delicious of all berries for pies, canning, jelly, or jams. 2/- each.

Wilson's Junior—Rather smaller fruit than "Lawton's," which it resembles, but ripens much earlier. 6/- per dozen.

The Logan Berry—The fruit is sometimes an inch and a quarter long, the shape of a blackberry, the colour of a dark red raspberry, and a combination of the flavours of both. 1/- each: 9/- per dozen.

OLIVES.

Price—2/- each; 18/- per doz.

The following are the commercial Olives for oil-producing purposes:—

Black Italian
Boquettier
Early Blanquet
Frontoiana (*Lucca*)
Grosse Rendounow
Late Blanquet
Large Fruiting
Lucca
Salouen
Picholene
Verdale

MISCELLANEOUS FRUITS, ETC.

Balloon Berry—A strong-growing bush, ornamental, bearing reddish-yellow fruit all summer; fruit large, agreeable flavour, called "Balloon Berry" on account of its lightness, being quite hollow. 1/- each.

Berberry (*Berberis vulgaris,*) 1/- each, 9/- per dozen.

Guava (*Psidium cattleyanum*), 1/- each, 9/- per dozen.

Japanese Golden Mayberry (*Rubus incisus*)—Berries of a golden colour. 6/- per dozen.

Japanese Wineberry—The fruit is similar to a raspberry in shape; colour, bright glossy scarlet; sweet, juicy, and of agreeable flavour. 9d. each or 6/- per dozen.

Juneberry (*Amelanchier Canadensis*), 2/- each.

Loquat, Chatsworth Victory, 1/6 each.
„ **Golden Shoreland,** 1/6 each.

MISCELLANEOUS FRUITS, ETC. (CONTINUED).

Loquat, Herd's Mammoth, 1/6 each.
„ **Japanese Mammoth,** 1/6 each.
„ **Large Oval,** 1/6 each.
„ **Large Round,** 1/6 each.
„ **Late Orange,** 1/6 each.
„ **Thames Prize,** 1/6 each.
Passion Fruit (*Passiflora edulis*), 1/- each; 9/- per dozen.
Pomegranate (*Punica granatum*), 1/- each, 9/- per dozen.

STRAWBERRIES.

Arthur, 2/- doz., 10/- per 100.
Bidwell, 2/- doz., 5/- 100.
Captain, 2/- per doz.
Edith Christy, 2/6 per doz.
La Marguerite, 2/6 per 100, 15/- per 1000.
Pink's Prolific, 2/- doz., 5/- 100.
Royal Sovereign, 2/- doz., 10/- 100.
Trollope's Victoria, 2/6 per 100.
White Chilian, 2/6 100, 15/- per 1000.

La Fontaine—Large-fruited, ever-bearing sort, producing freely till end of season. Fruit large, bright red; flesh clear red, firm, juicy, sugary, and very perfumed. 3/- per doz.

Melba—This is without exception the best strawberry that has come under our notice. The fruit is large, brilliant red, and of the best flavour; when grown in good land, with plenty of moisture, it will bear good crops from beginning of November to May. As the young runners commence to fruit as soon as well rooted, they should be left, making beds say three feet wide, grown into a solid mass. Although the fruit is covered with foliage, it will still be fully coloured. We would strongly recommend this variety to strawberry growers. Price 2/- per dozen; 5/- per 100; 30/- per 1000.

Strawberry, Sunbeam—Raised by Mr. Henry Prosser, of Red Hill, who speaks most highly of same; in his district it has outdone all other sorts, being a strong grower, large fruit, of good colour, and a heavy bearer. 2/6 per doz.; 15/- per 100.

RHUBARB.

Early Albert—A fine early, medium-size rhubarb. 9/- per doz.

Hogan's Shillelah—Very hardy and prolific, large, and of good quality. 9/- per dozen.

Johnston's St. Martin's—A fine large variety, of good flavour. 9/- per dozen.

RHUBARB (CONTINUED).

Myatt's Linnaeus—Very early and prolific, flavour all that can be desired : a valuable variety for general use. 9/- per doz.

Stott's Monarch—This is the largest rhubarb grown ; the leaves and stems are of enormous size. 18/- per dozen.

Topp's Winter—This is a most valuable variety, as it furnishes a large quantity of stems of very fine flavour and colour all through the winter months, when fruit is scarce. 9/- per doz.

Topp's Winter Improved—Similar to the above, but a more erect grower. 9/- per doz.

Webb's Buninyong—Large, good flavour, very prolific. 9/- per doz.

Wilson's Winter—This variety differs from other winter varieties. It has stouter and shorter stalks, which are of a bright scarlet their entire length, and of good flavour. 9/ per doz.

ORNAMENTAL TREES.

FOR SHADE AND STREET PLANTING.

Acer—Very quick growing trees, most suitable for moist, cool climate.

„ **Colchicum Rubrum**—Foliage reddish purple. 2/- each.

„ **Negunda**—1/6 each.

„ **Platanoides** (Sycamore)—12/- to 18/- per dozen.

„ „ **purpurea**—2/- each.

„ **Polymorphum, Japanese Maple**—2/- each.

„ „ **Atropurpureum**—Deep maroon, large, regular, palmate.

„ „ **Dissectum** — Deep maroon, richly - fringed, thread-like leaflets, drooping nature.

„ „ **Aureum**—Circular-shaped, obtusely-cut yellow leaves.

„ „ **Dantsugi**—Various colours.

„ „ **Japonicum** — Circular - shaped, large green leaves with shallow segments.

„ „ **Japonicum Filicifolium**—Deeply-cut leaves of Japonicum.

„ „ **Ogurayama**—Large round foliage, with 11 to 12 short lobes; strong grower.

„ „ **Rosa-marginatis**—Green, small leaves, crimson margined.

„ „ **Sanguineum Chishio**—Blood-red, regular, palmate small leaves.

„ „ **Sanguineum Seigen**—Blood-red, regular, palmate, colouring in the middle of spring.

„ **Saccharinum** (Sugar Maple)—2/- each, 18/- per dozen.

ORNAMENTAL TREES (CONTINUED).

Alnus, glutinosa—A fast growing tree on river banks, or very moist places, 1/6 each.

„ **Incana**—2/- each.

Ash, English (*Fraxinus excelsior*)—18/- per dozen.

„ **White**—(*Fraxinus alba*)—18/- per dozen.
(Does well in the cooler parts of Australia; much valued as timber trees).

Beech—Will only do well in the cool parts.

„ **Common** (*Fagus Sylvatica*)—18/- per dozen.

„ **Purple**—Grown from seeds, foliage purple colour, 2/6 each, 24/- per dozen.

„ **Purple** (grafted plants)—This variety is much darker, almost black, 3/6 each

„ **Swat Magret**—The best of the purple-leaved varieties. 5/- each.

„ **Tricolor**—This variety has purple leaves, margined with white, rose and crimson, 3/6 each.

Birch (*Betula alba*)—A very quick-growing tree in the cooler parts; as the tree gets older the bark is quite white, and the tree of a weeping habit. 18/- per doz.

„ (*Betula pubescens*)—2/- each.

„ (*Betula alba verrucosa*)—2/- each.

Californian Chestnut (*Pavia Californica*)—A small-growing deciduous tree; one of the first to come into foliage in the spring. 1/6 each.

Carya Alba (Hickory)—Does well in cool moist districts. 18/- per dozen.

„ **Alba Lacinata**—Very pretty foliage, 2/6 each.

„ **Amara** (Bitternut)—18/- per dozen.

„ **Olivaeformis** (Pecan)—18/- per dozen.

„ **Porcina** (Pignut)—18/- per dozen.

„ **Sulcata** (Hickory)—18/- per dozen.

„ **Tomentosa**—18/- per dozen.

Calycanthus Proecox (Fringe Tree)—A deciduous shrub flowering early in the spring, very sweet scented. 1/6 each.

Carpinus Betulus (*Hornbeam*), 1/6 each.

Catalpa Speciosa — A showy flowering tree, with large leaves. 1/6 each.

Cornus Sanguinea (Red Wood)—1/6 each.

English Laurels — Useful for large hedges in cold moist climate. 9/- dozen; 60/- per 100.

Elms (*Ulmus*)—Requiring good heavy soil to do well.

„ **Canadian**—A good street tree of rapid growth. £7/10/- per 100.

„ **Chichester**—Large, broad leaved, upright growing. £7/10/- per 100.

ORNAMENTAL TREES (CONTINUED).

Elms, Cork—very hardy variety, with rough bark. 18/- per doz.

„ **Crispum**—A curious crested foliage variety. 2/- each.

„ **English**—(*Ulmus*)—One of the best, rather slow growing at first, but will ultimately grow larger than any other sort. £7/10/- per 100.

„ **Huntingdon**—A good growing variety, and first-class for street planting. £7/10/- per 100.

„ **Louis Van Houtte** (New)—This is the finest of all the Golden Elms, large leaf, and of a clear golden colour, 2/6 each.

„ **Medio Argentea Variegata**—A pretty silver variegated variety 2/6 each.

„ **Montana Major**—Large leaves, habit spreading and irregular, good in some places. £7/10/- per 100.

„ **Montana Dovei** (New)—A first class novelty, large leaved, strong grower, and good habit. 2/6 each.

„ **Monumentalis** — Small leaves, very upright, almost like an upright poplar; good for single specimen. 2/- each.

„ **Picturata** (New)—With very pretty, large, variegated foliage; a good specimen tree. 2/6 each.

„ **Purple**—Good grower, leaves purple when young. £7/10/- per 100.

„ **Scabra Lutescens** (New)—A golden-leaved variety. 2/6 each.

„ **Turkestanica** (New)—A distinct variety with smallish leaves, compact grower. 2/6 each.

„ **Umbraculifera** (New)—A compact-growing tree, and quite distinct from any other elm. 2/6 each.

„ **Viminalis Variegata**—A variegated variety, of good growth. 2/- each.

„ **Weeping**—Strong trees on tall stems. 21/- each.

„ **Wreedi Aurea**—A compact growing variety with golden leaves. 2/- each.

English Holly (*Ilex Aquifolia*)—12/- per dozen.

Gincko Biloba (*Syn.* "Salisburia Adiantifolia")—The maidenhair tree. 18/- per doz.

Gleditschia Triacanthos—A free-growing tree with white flowers. 1/6 each.

Hawthorn (*Cratægus*)—Flowering varieties. 1/6 each.

„ **Double Crimson.**

„ „ **Pink.**

„ **Single Scarlet.**

„ **Aria Chrysophylla**—Large leaves of a golden colour. 2/- each.

ORNAMENTAL TREES (CONTINUED).

Hawthorn, Chlorosarca—Pyramidal growth, fruit orange yellow. 2/- each.

„ **Cordata**—White flowering. 2/- each.

„ **Douglassi**—Flower white. 2/- each.

„ **Korolkow**—Fine large cut leaf, fruit yellow. 2/- each.

„ **Layi**—A small growing tree. 2/- each.

„ **Mexicana**—Fruit very large; like a crab apple. 2/- each.

„ **Tanacetifolia Orientalis**—A very pretty variety, with much divided leaves and abundance of large red fruit. 2/- each.

Horse Chestnut (*Æsculas Hippocastanum*)—A large growing tree; does well in cool, moist climate. 18/- to 24/- dozen.

„ **Flora Alba Plena**—Double white, 2/6 each.

„ **Lacinata**—A variety with leaves much divided; quite a curiosity. 2/6 each.

„ **Rubicunda**—A red flowerirg variety. 2/6 each.

„ **Rubicunda Brioti.** 2/6 each.

Laburnum (*Cytisus Laburnum*)—A well-known yellow-flowering tree, of free growth. 1/- to 2/- each.

Liquidambar Styracifolia—A fine foliage tree, similar to a Maple in foliage, and changing to a beautiful yellow and crimson colour in the autumn. 1/6 each.

Liriodendron Tulipiferum—The Tulip Tree grows well in the cooler parts of Australia; a fine foliage and flowering tree. 2/- each; 18/- per dozen.

Melia Azaderach (White Cedar)—This tree will grow in any climate, but prefers a warm place. 1/6 each.

Mountain Ash (*Sorbus Aucuparia*)—A quick growing tree in cool districts, bearing large clusters of red berries. 1/6 to 2/- each.

Oaks (*Quercus*) **Conferta**—This has very fine, large, glossy foliage; one of the best. 2/6 each.

„ **English**—A well-known variety. £5 to £7/10/- per 100.

„ **Hodgensi**—This is one of the finest of the Oaks, being evergreen, with large leaves, and a quick grower. 2/6 each.

„ **Scarlet** (*Coccinea*)—The leaves of this turn crimson in the autumn. 2/- each; 18/- per dozen.

„ „ (*Pallustris*)—Like the above, but broader and larger leaves. 2/- each; 18/- per dozen.

„ **Turkey** (*Cerris*)—A good grower, with pretty foliage. 2/- each; 18/- per dozen.

„ **White** (alba)—A good grower; the wood of this is whiter than the English oaks. 2/- each; 18/- per dozen.

ORNAMENTAL TREES (CONTINUED).

Pinus Insignus—A well-known pine; strong trees. 12/- per dozen.

„ „ From Seedbed. 20/- per 100.

Planes, Oriental (*Platanus Orientalis*)—A well-known tree for street planting, does well almost anywhere. £5 to £7/10/- per 100.

Populus Alba—The well-known Silver Poplar. 12/- per dozen.

„ **Bolleana**—An Improved Silver Poplar. 18/- per dozen.

„ **Canadensis Aurea Van Geerti**—A small-growing variety with golden leaves. 2/- each.

„ **Dilitata**—Upright Poplar, well known. 12/- per dozen.

„ **Macrophylla** (Ontario Poplar)—A strong-growing variety with large leaves, the best for street planting. 18/- per doz.

Privet (Evergreen)—A well-known hedge plant. 7/6 per 100.

Prunus Pissardi—Leaves purple, almost black. 1/- each.

„ **Spinosa Purpurea**—Foliage reddish purple. 1/6 each.

„ **Triloba Flora Plena**—Buds scarlet, flowers delicate rose; an abundant bloomer. 1/6 each.

Purple-leaved Filbert—A variety with purple foliage. 2/- each.

Rhus Succedaneum—The best of all the Rhus family, the leaves turning a beautiful crimson in the autumn. 1/6 each.

Robinia Bessoniana—A noble looking tree of fine regular growth, very ornamental, and one of the best trees for planting avenues. 2/- each; 18/- per dozen.

„ **Decaisneana**—A variety remarkable for its vigour and the abundance of fine rose coloured flowers it produces. 2/- ea.

„ **Neo Mexicana**—Tree vigorous and hardy, gives an abundance of blooms, reddish violet. 2/- each.

„ **Pseudo-acacia**—This is a fast growing tree, and should be planted by all farmers in want of timber and summer shade; it is a most durable wood for fences, handles, etc. being almost equal to hickory. 1/- each; 75/- per 100.

„ **Pseudo-acacia** (Seedlings), small. 20/- per 100.

„ **Rosea**—A very pretty dwarf-growing variety, with large rose-coloured blooms. 2/- each.

„ **Rozynskiana**—Medium vigour, very long foliage, which hangs vertically, giving the tree a curious aspect. 2/- each.

Sambucus lacinata—Very pretty lacinata foliage. 1/6 each.

„ **flora rosea plena.** 2/- each.

„ **Nigra lutea**—Golden yellow foliage. 1/6 each.

„ „ **variegata**—Silver variegated foliage. 1/6 each.

ORNAMENTAL TREES (CONTINUED).

Sorbus Aucuparia Fifiana—A vigorous and pyramidal tree. 2/- each.

„ **Americana**—Strong grower, deep scarlet fruit. 2/- each.

Spartium Junceum—Golden yellow pea-shaped flowers; first-class hedge plant. 6/- doz.; 30/- per 100.

Tilia Europea (Lime or Linden)—A first class ornamental tree for cool districts. 2/- each; 18/- per dozen.

„ **Platophylla**—Much larger leaves than the Europea. 2/6 each.

CHERRIES (DOUBLE FLOWERING).

Price—2/- each; 18/- per doz.

French—Double white flowers in bunches.

Japan, No. 1—Very large, double rose, changing to rosy pink.

„ „ **2**—Large double, rosy crimson, changing to light rose.

„ „ **3**—Fine double pink, very floriferous.

„ „ **4**—Semi-double, cream colour, striped green, splashed and shaded rosy crimson.

„ „ **5**—Double blush, an abundant bloomer.

„ „ **6**—Double, delicate pink colour.

„ „ **7**—Semi-double, creamy white, splashed with green.

„ „ **8**—Blush, changing to white, large fine blooms.

„ „ **9**—Double, large white flowers, stems four inches long, with three to seven flowers on each, extra fine and free grower.

PEACHES (DOUBLE FLOWERING).

Price—2/- each; 18/- per doz.

Clara Meyer—Large double, bright rose colour.

Crimson—Flowers very bright crimson.

Pink—Bright pink colour.

Rosæflora Plena—Large bright carmine-pink flowers.

Splendens—Light crimson colour.

Versicolor—Large flowers, delicate pink.

White—Flowers pure white.

White and Pink—This variety has flowers both pure white and pure pink on same branches.

LILACS *(Syringa).*

Price—1/6 each.

Abel Carriere
Amurensis
Arthur William Paul
Belle de Nancy
Charles Baltet
Charles Joly
Condorcet
Congo
Docteur Masters
Doyen Keteleer
Edouard Andre
Georges Bellair
Louis Henry
Madame Abel Chatenay
Madame Francisque Morel
Madame Amelia Duprat
Mdlle. Fernande Viger
Marc Michelli
Maurice de Vilmorin
Michel Buchner
Negro
Othello
Prince de Beauvau
Pubescens
Rothomagensis
Touissaint Louverture
Volcan
White
William Robinson

ARTICHOKES.

Globe, Large Green. 6/- per dozen.
,, **Large Purple.** 6/- per dozen.
Jerusalem, Sutton's White. 15/- per sack.

SEAKALE—6/- per dozen.

TABLE showing the Number of Plants required for an Acre of Land.

Distance Apart.	Number of Plants.	Distance Apart.	Number of Plants.	Distance Apart.	Number of Plants.
Feet.		Feet.		Feet.	
30	48	16	169	8	680
28	55	15	193	7	889
26	64	14	222	6	1,241
24	75	13	257	5	1,742
22	90	12	302	4	2,722
20	100	11	360	3	4,840
19	120	10	435	2	10,890
18	134	9	537	1	43,560
17	150				

Extract from "The Age,"

18th NOVEMBER, 1905.

THE GEMBROOK NURSERIES.

A VICE-REGAL VISIT.

A VICE-REGAL and Parliamentary party paid a visit to the Fern Tree Gully and Gembrook districts yesterday, at the invitation of Mr. Keast, representative of the district in the Legislative Assembly. Included in the party were His Excellency Sir Reginald Talbot and Miss Stuart-Wortley, attended by Captain Buxton, A.D.C.; the Chief Secretary, Sir Samuel Gillott; the Minister of Lands, Mr. Murray; the Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Swinburne, and Mrs. Swinburne; the Speaker, Mr. F. Madden; Messrs. Keast, G. H. Bennett, Elmslie, Boyd, Watt, Fairbairn, and Beazley, M's.L.A., and several ladies. Subsequently Cr. Kerr, president of Fern Tree Gully shire, joined the party.

At Emerald an inspection was made of Mr. C. A. Nobelius's fine nurseries. Fifteen years ago Mr. Nobelius, with his wife and a young family, settled in the district, and out of the virgin forest cleared a large area on the hill slopes, and started what has become a nursery of considerable magnitude. At the present time he has 150 acres cultivated as a nursery for fruit trees, and 180 acres as a permanent orchard. Altogether on the nursery lands he has nearly a million and a quarter of young trees, principally apples, pears, plums, peaches, apricots, and cherries. From small beginnings Mr. Nobelius has established a wide reputation, the young trees from his nurseries finding a place in the orchards not only of the Commonwealth and New Zealand, but of South Africa and America. From Mr. Nobelius's residence, which stands on the brow of a hill, a commanding view is obtained of the surrounding district, stretching away to the Warburton Ranges, Healesville, and the Yarra Gap. His Excellency, in replying to the toast of his health after lunch had been served, said that at the dinner recently given by Mr. Knox, M.P., a great deal had been said about what constituted the prosperity of men engaged in trade and commerce, and it had been universally admitted that the quality of integrity was the one that conduced to make British commerce take a place ahead of all other nations in the world. That day they had a very fair example of what could be done by energy, enterprise, perseverance, courage, and, above all, integrity. Mr. Nobelius was known all over the world as a man who supplied exactly what he offered to supply. No sample was required. Nothing he supplied needed a trade mark—not even a trade union label. (Laughter and applause.) When they saw that fine nursery, which produced more than all the nurseries of Australia and New Zealand, they must marvel at what Mr. Nobelius had done. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. F. Madden, in proposing the health of The Host and Hostess, said it required a man with the heart of a lion to take up land as Mr. Nobelius had done, far from road or rail, and subdue the wilderness. He had converted bush and scrub into a magnifi-

cent nursery. He had done more, for the name of Nobelius was widely known to be synonymous with honesty and absolute truth. He asked them to drink to the health of the noblest work of God—an honest man (Applause.)

Mr. Nobelius responded in a modest speech.

At Gembrook station the party were met by Cr. Martin, president of the Berwick shire council, who welcomed his Excellency to the district in the name of the settlers. A hurried inspection was made of the fern tree scenery in the gully, where tea was provided by the president of the shire. The health of Mr. Keast was proposed by the Minister of Lands. In responding, Mr. Keast thanked his Excellency for visiting the district. He thought he had not overrated the beauty of the scenery. The land also was very fertile—equal for potato growing to the Warrnambool country. Once its fertility became better known there should be greatly increased settlement in the district.

The party reached the city on the return journey about 6.30.

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THE LARGEST AUSTRALIAN NURSERY.

Propagating Fruit Trees.

[BY OUR HORTICULTURAL REPORTER.]

THREE years ago a description of the Gembrook Nurseries appeared in *The Leader*, but since that time a development has taken place which can, without exaggeration, be classed as the most remarkable example of progress in horticultural work in the Commonwealth. Fifteen years ago Mr. C. A. Nobelius, with his wife and family, settled in the heavily timbered hills of the Gembrook ranges. The conditions were hard, and of the character identified with country faced and cleared by that type of pioneers who are to be credited for all time with successful settlement in Australia. To combat hardship in the beginning seems to be the one road to success with men of this character, and from a small holding cut out of the virgin forest fifteen years ago there has developed an industry unrivalled in this particular instance in the Commonwealth. At first ornamental and fruit trees were raised in limited numbers, and carted over the rough mountainous roads of the Gembrook ranges to Narre Warren, a station on the Gippsland railway line. Later on the construction of the narrow gauge line from Upper Fern Tree Gully to Gembrook brought a railway station, Emerald, within one and a half miles of Mr. Nobelius's property, and this more serviceable outlet for the heavy consignments of young trees was at once used to an extent that could not fail to attract the attention of the railway authorities. Therefore, when Mr. Nobelius bought and cleared new ground, extending along two miles of the railway frontage, and increased his work to such dimensions that the stock of saleable trees for the present season has reached a total of fully 1,000,000, he had no difficulty in securing a railway siding to connect with a recently erected packing shed. This building, which by the way is connected with Melbourne by telephone, will be the centre of activity during the coming month, when

the bulk of the trees will be lifted, packed, and consigned to their destinations. Gembrook Nurseries' trees by the thousand are now growing in orchards in every State in the Commonwealth, and in New Zealand and South Africa. The tendency to extend the area under fruit in Western Australia, where Gembrook trees are well represented, is an ominous sign which must be noted by growers in the eastern States, as when these new plantings come into bearing the fruit will be some nine days closer to the English markets, with the additional advantage of export apples ripening earlier than in this section of the Commonwealth.

The new nurseries, covering the sides of two hills which slope towards a thickly wooded fern tree gully of great beauty, are remarkable for the cleanliness of the soil and the healthy appearance of the trees. The red soil in its well tilled condition is an effective background to the seemingly endless rows of evenly grown trees. Paths dividing the blocks, and roadways winding round the sides of the hills covered by the nursery, run into a distance of close upon twenty miles. Figures, again, may be quoted with the object of showing the extent of this nurseryman's operations. Fruit stones set out for the production of seedlings are obtained from the factories. This season the quantities used total two tons of peach stones, apricots one ton, cherries one sack, and pear pips half cwt. A sack of plum stones imported from France has also been planted. In planting the stones lime is spread along the seed bed. However, it is necessary to view the nursery as it stands, in order to be impressed with the magnitude of an undertaking where one nurseryman has 1,000,000 trees for immediate distribution, and some thousands in preparation for next year. Of individual varieties most space is given to the Cleopatra and Jonathan apples, but all the leading varieties of the numerous fruits are grown. Persimmons, for example, is a fruit but little favored in Victoria, but Mr. Nobelius has a large supply ready to meet a certain demand in the warmer States and in South Africa.

Budding is still in progress at the Gembrook nurseries, a team of twelve skilled workmen being busy on a block of 250,000 apples and 80,000 plums. Apples are easier to work than the other fruits, a man averaging 2000 per day of nine hours. A record of 1600 in five hours has been attained by the proprietor's second son, Mr. Percy Nobelius, who has also come into prominence as the crack shot of the local rifle club. This nurseryman fully appreciates the value of the assistance rendered by Mr. Oscar Nobelius and three younger sons, all of whom are trained to the special work of propagating and raising fruit and ornamental trees. At the present time, to again quote figures, there are 42 employes on the books of this nurseryman, and at the height of the packing season there will be up to 60 hands employed.

Detailed descriptions of the fruits raised would cover more space than is available in the limited space of this article; but, briefly, we find ten varieties of the almond and five new apples, in addition to the general collection of close upon 200 varieties. Apricots comprise all the standard sorts and a few new ones. Cherries on Mazzard seedling stocks are exceptionally well represented, while nectarines and peaches are also noteworthy features of the general collection. Pears, plums, quinces and citrus fruits receive attention in accord with their value, while the berry fruits and nut-bearing trees also comprise an extensive assortment. With regard to new varieties, Mr. Nobelius is never eager to force large lots upon growers. He much prefers to see an orchardist take even a single specimen and try it, and then send in a report of the result. It is obvious that in the wide range of varieties grown in these nurseries it would be impossible to get fruiting results that could be

regarded as a test of the tree's value. "My business," Mr. Nobelius remarks, "is to raise young trees, and I have selected a site peculiarly adapted to the development of a root growth strong enough to give a sound foundation for the tree wherever its permanent home may be. My soil is not rich, and there can be no risk in transplanting to sites where the soil is of superior quality." Mr. Nobelius makes a special study of the adaptability of varieties of trees to different districts, and his annual visits to the different States and New Zealand, combined with the information now available regarding the development of trees sent out from the Gembrook Nurseries, furnishes a sound basis for the guidance of future operations.

Ornamental trees, of which there is a large and varied collection, form an important section of the stock raised by Mr. Nobelius. If it be justifiable to particularise in a nursery containing such a large quantity of evenly balanced trees, special mention should be made of the "Oriental Planes." These trees, even in the monotonously regular order of a nursery, form beautiful masses of foliage, branching out from tall, straight stems. A special feature as regards the treatment of ornamental trees, more so in the case of those intended for tree planting, is noteworthy. Instead of removing the lateral shoots, and thereby exposing the stem to the direct influence of the sun, Mr. Nobelius spurs in all those growing from the main stem. Protection is by this means afforded, while the tendency is to increase the size and develop a well-shaped and tapering trunk. Fine specimens of the various oaks, elms, beeches, birches, hickory, chestnuts, ash, poplars, limes and others noted for their ornamental attractions, are all characterized by healthy and clean growth. The crab apple is not commonly seen in Australian gardens, but it is a tree well worthy of attention for its beauty, both as regards foliage and blossom, and it is interesting to note that all the leading varieties are grown.

On the estate, of which the nurseries cover about 150 acres, there are fruit trees planted out for a permanent orchard of close upon 150 acres. An 18-acre block of two-year-old lemons has made remarkable growth, and in a few years the work of picking and packing fruit, combined with the ever-increasing work of the nurseries, will make Emerald a centre in which a large amount of skilled labour will be employed. The settlement already shows every evidence of prosperity, and a comparison of present day activity with the silence of the heavily-timbered hills of 15 years back tends to emphasise the credit due to Mr. Nobelius for his enterprise.

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2nd JUNE, 1906.

A LARGE NURSERY.

THIRTY-TWO miles from Melbourne in an easterly direction, on the narrow-gauge railway running to Gembrook, and at an altitude of 1000 ft. above sea level, is the village of Emerald, where is situated the extensive fruit tree nurseries of Mr. C. A. Nobelius, which may justly be termed one of the "show" places of Victoria.

It is fully four years since we visited this district, and since then great changes have taken place in the Gembrook Nurseries. The original purchased land of sixty-three acres, and part of the selection of eighty-six acres, which were largely devoted to nursery stuff, has

been partly transformed into orchard, and the great bulk of the young nursery trees are now grown on new land a short distance off, and immediately adjoining the railway line, to which a private siding has been constructed, and where the office and extensive packing sheds are. The new place is 300 acres in extent. Half of this area is already planted with young stuff, and a small area of permanent trees for testing and propagating purposes. Of the remainder, fifty acres are cleared, and will be planted this coming winter. The soil seems to be eminently suitable for young trees; although the past summer was a particularly dry one, the trees have made good growth, and are remarkably healthy. The cleanliness of these nurseries is noticed at once; a bushel basket would, we think, hold the whole of the weeds to be found in the hundred acres.

Nurserymen have long since found that young fruit trees cannot be satisfactorily grown in the same soil for many years in succession; manures, both natural and artificial, may be used with more or less success, but new ground of the right material is what is required to produce good stuff at a minimum of cost. Hence the necessity for shifting most of the young trees to new quarters.

It is only three years this autumn since the work of clearing the new nursery ground was commenced, but much vigour was displayed by the proprietor; at one time as many as eighty-six men were employed at felling trees, clearing off the scrub, ploughing, grading, laying out, and other work incidental to the transforming of good timber land into the beautiful nursery grounds as at present seen. The energy and pluck displayed by Mr. Nobelius in forming this place is worthy of all praise, and it is to be hoped he will be handsomely rewarded for his enterprise.

The visitor to these nurseries is astounded at the number of young trees, and wonder is expressed as to what becomes of them all. One would think there were more than enough trees in this place alone to supply all Australia, and when it is remembered that there are several other extensive Nurseries in the State the wonder is increased as to the destination of the hundreds of thousands of young stock which are annually disposed of.

The Gembrook Nurseries are not what are termed general nurseries. There is no glass, no pot plants, and no collections of shrubs and evergreens grown for sale. The land is devoted solely to young fruit trees, to forest trees, and to just a few ornamental trees, bush fruits, and roots. A hundred-acre nursery would not in England be considered a large one, for in that country there are many nurseries many hundred acres in extent, and in America there are some very much larger, even to several thousands of acres; but here at the Antipodes it is surprising to find a nursery as large as the one under notice.

Unfortunately for us, the proprietor at the time of our visit was absent in Tasmania, but his intelligent, hard-working sons afforded a lot of information. On inquiring the varieties of fruits mostly in demand, the stock-book was produced, and the numbers registered in it of each kind furnish the answer. In apples, Jonathan heads the list with 30,000 saleable trees, then comes Cleopatra, Sturmer Pippin, and Scarlet Nonpareil, with 25,000 each; Munroe's Favourite and Rome Beauty, 20,000 each; Five Crowned Pippin and Cox's Orange Pippin, some 10,000 each; while Reinette du Canada, Ribston Pippin, Esopus Spitzenberg, and numerous other kinds range from about 5,000 each to much smaller numbers. A few of the newer varieties of apples are thought much of. Among these are Delicious, Allington Pippin, Commerce, Foster, General Carrington, Mona Hay, and Senator.

Of plums there are great stocks, especially of the prune kinds, such as the Giant Prune, Sugar, Splendour, and Prune d'Agen. The old Green Gage,

Coe's Golden Drop, Diamond, Early Orleans, Late Rivers, Late Orange, and Late Transparent are most in demand. Federation and Wright's Early are two new Japanese plums which are likely to come to the front. Of the better known Japs, Wickson, Kelsey, October Purple, and Burbank are the most in request.

A few cherries are worked on the Mahaleb stock, but the bulk are on the Mazzard, so there is no danger of suckers springing up. The older varieties are mostly in demand, the Florence, St Marguerite, Bedford Prolific, Early Guigne, and Early Rivers taking the lead. Bigarreau Gaucher, Bigarreau Pelissier, and Noble are newly imported and have good reputations.

Apricots Gooley and Harris are valuable introductions, and will be in request when known; at present the public demand is chiefly for Moorpark, Mansfield Seedling, Hemskirke, Oullin's Early Improved, and the Early Moorpark. Duchess of Cornwall and Hawkesbury Champion are new peaches, with excellent characters from their raisers. Two new quinces, named Pineapple and Smyrna, will probably displace some of the older kinds, but Van Deman, Missouri Mammoth, and Champion will be difficult to beat. Good stocks of the Japanese black and English Walnuts and a few Hickory and Pecan nuts were noticed, as well as Spanish Chestnuts and some of Webb's Prize Filberts. At one time Mr. Nobelius cultivated a large variety of strawberries, but his collection is now reduced to a few over a dozen. Many sorts proved to be inferior. The leading kind now is Melba, and in many parts of the State this has proved to be the most valuable of all.

Quite a large collection of Persimmons are grown here. These are raised from seedlings, and then worked with named kinds. They will not bud, and grafting even is difficult. They are well rooted, and transplant without the risk incurred with imported plants. It is hardly necessary to say that the various kinds of blackberries, raspberries, gooseberries. and currants do well in this mountain garden.

Of hardly inferior importance to the fruit trees are the extensive collections of elms, oaks, planes, poplars, limes, robinias, ashes, and many other ornamental trees, which are finely grown, and may be numbered by the thousand. There should be a demand for the large variety of lilacs, and of the double-flowering cherries, of which latter there are nine different kinds.

In pears, the old and well-known Williams' Bon Chretien (Bartlett of the Americans) still takes the lead, but it is closely followed by Winter Nelis, Beurre de Capiamont, Winter Cole, and a few other old favourites; Wilder, Le Lectier, Conference, and P. Barry are newer kinds of high repute. The pears are all worked on seedling stems.

The old nursery grounds which surround the dwellinghouse have been by no means abandoned. Fifteen acres have been planted with lemons, twenty-five to plums, the same to apples, while there are several large breadths of nursery stuff. Many New Zealand shrubs and trees, English beeches and birches, rowan trees, English and Japanese maples, golden and copper oaks, salisburias, the Tasmanian laurel, aucubas, and many other plants have been planted in groups. One large bed near the house is devoted to spring-flowering plants, such as the deciduous magnolias, rhododendrons, clematises, tree and herbaceous pœnies, azaleas, the calico bush (kalmia latifolia), boronias, andromedas, etc. This bed should be a picture in the month of October.

Select a fine clear day for a trip to the Gembrook Nurseries, and a rich reward will await the visitor, be he a horticulturist or not. The mountain scenery is fine, the nursery itself, said to contain over a million of saleable trees—we did not stay to count them—is an eye-opener to most persons. The journey is very comfortably done in the day.

A Few Unsolicited Opinions.

FROM THE PRESS:

THE AUSTRALASIAN:—

"At Emerald, near Gembrook, and near the centre of the Dandenong Ranges, at an altitude of about 800 ft. above sea-level, is one of the best kept nurseries, and probably the largest, in the Australian colonies, the property of Mr. C. A. Nobelius.

"The whole nurseries are a model of order and cleanliness—hardly a weed visible anywhere. A visit to the Gembrook Nurseries, Emerald, will well repay anyone who can appreciate a well-conducted nursery establishment."

THE LEADER writes:—

"Order and uniformity are features which are at once apparent to the visitors to the Gembrook Nurseries. Row upon row of evenly-grown trees stand out as evidence of careful work, while cleanliness is another marked feature. No blight, for example, can be found, a result which is not surprising when it is learnt that the proprietor, instead of washing the young tree with one of the prescribed mixtures should signs of the Woolly Aphis or other pests be found, takes it out, root, stock and branch, and burns it. Mr. Nobelius by this drastic method rids the nursery of a pest in a manner which leaves no doubt as to its effectiveness."

THE GARDEN & FIELD (S.A.):—

"Outside California we have seen nothing to equal this beautifully kept nursery. We have seen small areas as well kept, but none better; we have seen small beds of trees as clean, as healthy, and as evenly grown, but we have never seen any more so. We have seen small beds of bigger trees, grown under irrigation, but never any more hardy or robust. After hours spent walking through and around the nursery beds, which Mr. Nobelius estimates contain over a million trees and stocks in various stages, we did not see more weeds than we would be willing to carry off the place on our backs before breakfast, or any disease whatsoever on the whole of this immense stock of young stuff."

FROM CUSTOMERS:

United States Dept. of Agriculture,
Washington, D.C., 20/6/01.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Dear Sir,—The apple trees and scions ordered for this Department by the Department of Mines and Agriculture of New South Wales, have just arrived in excellent condition. Not a twig or root of the trees was dead, nor was a single scion in the least injured by the long shipment.—Very truly yours,

ERNST A. BESSEY.

Glen Vale, near Hobart,
Tasmania, 6th Feb., 1905.

Dear Sir,—I forward cheque to you for the three thousand and odd trees which I received from your nursery last year. My son was very pleased with them, and I believe that not one tree out of the whole number actually died, although we have experienced the driest season that has been known for many years. This speaks volumes in favour of trees from the "Gembrook Nurseries."—I am, etc.

W. J. J. REYNOLDS, Major.

Lyra, Queensland,
18th June, 1901.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Dear Sir,—I have received the 1000 trees I ordered from you, and I am well pleased with same; they are a splendid lot of well-grown trees, and I hope to be able to give you another order for another 1000 next year. Many thanks for your fine selection of trees.—Yours faithfully,

C. B. McCOSKER.

"Oatlands," Narre Warren,
4th August, 1904.

Dear Sir,—I herewith enclose cheque for £57/4/0, amount of your account rendered for fruit trees for my son Robert. I must say they are a fine lot of well-grown trees, and I am very pleased with them. I shall always do my best to heartily recommend you to any probable customers.—Believe me, yours truly,

A. B. KENT.

Germantown,
15th June, 1903.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Dear Sir,—Your trees have arrived in good order and condition. I am very pleased with same, as they have splendid fibre roots and straight stems. I am sending you a money order in receipt for same.—I remain, yours truly,

H. KOSSECK.

Ardmona,
20th May, 1897.

Dear Sir,—I was very satisfied with the trees obtained from you, they have done splendidly, but some from elsewhere, planted the same year, of a variety which you had not in stock, are none of them true to name. As they number three hundred all told, and are mainly some valueless whitish apricot, you can judge of my disgust. I am sorry I did not wait a year to obtain all I wanted from you—not a single stranger in the six hundred trees from your nursery.—Yours faithfully,

GERALD H. ROBINSON.

The Strand,
Sydney, N.S.W.,
30th July, 1899.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Dear Sir,—I have just purchased an estate of nine hundred acres, fourteen acres of orchard, and I would not give the little orchard of your trees for the fourteen acres. The trees are headed absurdly high, and are not as far advanced as your trees, although planted long before.—Yours truly,

A. J. BRIERLEY.

Dallington, Christchurch,
10th June, 1904.

Dear Sir,—Please find enclosed P.O.O. for £27/5/0. The trees arrived in excellent order, and give every possible satisfaction. I have much pleasure in stating that they are the best stuff I have seen turned out of a nursery since I left Europe; the packing was excellent. I hope I may be able to give you another order before the season closes.—I am, yours faithfully,

S. I. FITCH.

Kameruka, N.S.W.,
25th July, 1901.

Dear Sir,—Trees seem a very nice lot indeed, and I hope will do your nursery justice when at maturity. Last season's trees have done well considering our unusually bad season.—Yours truly,

W. W. WREN.

Hobart, Tasmania,
28th August, 1893.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Dear Sir,—The trees arrived safe, and were highly satisfactory.—Yours truly,

J. LATHAM.

Glen Aplin, near Stanthorpe,
Queensland, 6th July, 1903.

Enclosed please find crossed cheque for £44/3/0 sterling, being payment on the consignment of fruit trees ordered of you. The trees arrived in splendid order, and I am very pleased with them. Accept my best thanks for the splendid selection of trees you sent, and wishing to do more business with you in the future, I remain, yours faithfully,

ROBERT SMITH.

Payneham, South Australia,
14th June, 1901.

Dear Sir,—The trees came to hand yesterday in excellent condition, and are thoroughly satisfactory.—Yours faithfully,

H. WICKS.

Lancaster, 18th October, 1901.

Dear Sir,—May I state that I was exceedingly pleased with the splendidly rooted trees you forwarded to me. They have made a full strike, and are growing rapidly.—Yours sincerely,

P. W. PEDERICK.

Shire Hall, Camberwell,
5th August, 1894.

Dear Sir,—The trees I had from you last year were very satisfactory, and have done splendidly.—Yours faithfully,

R. W. SMELLIE.

Doncaster,
4th August, 1893.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Sir,—The trees, and in fact everything, arrived in first class condition—thanks to your care in packing. They are a fine lot of trees, and am well satisfied with them.—Yours, etc.,

JOHN HUDSON.

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51 Princes St.,
Dunedin, N.Z.
5th October, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The consignment reached us in splendid condition, and we desire to compliment you on the manner in which all were packed, and trust to send you a larger order for next season.—Yours truly,

HOWDEN & MONCRIEFF.

Ardmona,
12th June, 1901.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Dear Sir,—Many thanks for prompt despatch of my order, the quality of the trees, and the excellence of the packing. —Yours truly, J. C. WINKLE.

Toomuc Valley Orchard,
Pakenham,
23rd May, 1900.

Dear Sir,—The trees came to hand in good order. I am well pleased with them. Just about the right size for planting, splendidly rooted, clean and straight; such stock must prove satisfactory.—Yours truly,

T. H. GRANT.

Glen Creek, Bonnie Doon,
13th August, 1897.

Dear Sir,—I received the trees safely. They were well packed, well-grown, and healthy. The party whose order I sent you with mine was perfectly satisfied with price, condition, and growth of trees.—Yours faithfully,

GEO. TOMLINSON.

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507 Hay Street, Perth, W.A.,
11th July, 1900.

Dear Sir,—The trees arrived in good condition, and are a nice clean, healthy lot, and have given satisfaction. We are obliged for the careful attention to our order, and for the good selection you sent, and trust to doing further business with you in the future.—Yours faithfully, ROSSITER & CO.

Christchurch, N.Z.
1st January, 1900.

Dear Sir,—I am very pleased with the fruit trees, and shall ask for another parcel next season. Accept my thanks for the prompt despatch of the order.—Yours faithfully, W. JONES.

Taruanga, N.Z.,
June 18th, 1907.

Dear Mr. Nobelius,—The bundle of trees arrived two days ago in splendid condition, and I cannot deny myself the pleasure of complimenting you on the excellence of your trees. I have handled thousands of young fruit trees in my time, but can truthfully say I never had so good value for my money as in the consignment just received from you. Enclosed please find P.O.O. for £3/16/6, balance of account as per invoice. — Wishing you every success, I remain, dear sir, sincerely yours, etc.,

JOHN BLOMQUIST.

Crookwell, N.S.W.,
10th July, 1899.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Dear Sir,—Yours of the 17th June duly came to hand; also the fruit trees. They arrived in good order, and are a splendid lot of trees. I am delighted with them.—Yours faithfully,

P. C. ARNOLD.

Riddell's Creek,
1st June, 1901.

Dear Sir,—Many thanks for the nice stuff you have sent us. It is very well grown and shapely, packing excellent, and altogether turning out in a tip top manner.—Faithfully yours,

JOHN SMITH & SONS.

Avenel,
25th July, 1899.

Dear Sir,—I received bundle of trees yesterday in good condition, and am very pleased with same. Many thanks for your prompt attention to my small order. I can with confidence at any time recommend your trees, as they always do well.—Yours truly,

H. P. NEWTON.

Dept. of Mines, Sydney,
27th July, 1897.

Dear Sir,—My brother advises me of receipt, in satisfactory condition, of the trees forwarded by you. He reports in highly favourable terms of the class of trees sent, and I have to thank you for your care in this respect. —Yours faithfully, G. A. M'KAY.

Christchurch, N.Z.,
7th July, 1899.

Dear Sir,—We received the eleven bundles of trees in splendid condition, and thank you kindly for your attention to our orders.—Yours truly,

NAIRN & SONS.

Carlingford East,
28th May, 1899.

Dear Sir,—The six packages of trees arrived in good order, and I must say their quality gives satisfaction in every respect.—Yours faithfully,

M. F. VOLLMER.

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218 Pitt St., Sydney,
25th July, 1898.

Dear Sir,—We are well pleased with the few trees purchased from you this season, and next year we hope to do considerably more business. — Yours faithfully, ANDERSON & CO.

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